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## Legal Services Corporation America's Partner For Equal Justice

## **WELCOME**

Dear Conference Participant,

On behalf of the Legal Services Corporation, welcome to our 40th anniversary conference. There is much to celebrate in our history, a history in which so many of you have played a critical role.

LSC, the single largest funder of civil legal aid in the country, marked its 40th anniversary on July 25, 2014. We are commemorating this milestone beginning with this event, bringing together a wide range of legal, government, corporate, and philanthropic leaders to shine a light on the challenges and opportunities facing civil legal aid in America.

LSC is entrusted with promoting and protecting a core American value—equal justice for all. This has been a fundamental value of our country even before we were a country. In 1620, as they made their way to the New World, the Pilgrims drew up and signed the Mayflower Compact. Chief among its principles was a call for "just and equal laws." A call for justice is enshrined in the preamble of the Constitution: "We the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice..." It is engraved above the entrance of the Supreme Court and is recited every day by school children who proclaim that we are a nation "with liberty and justice for all."

Every day across America, victims of domestic violence seeking protection, veterans trying to avoid homelessness, and consumers facing wrongful evictions or foreclosures are forced to navigate the legal system alone because they cannot afford a lawyer. LSC's funding of high-quality legal services for low-income Americans helps assure fairness in our legal system, and it has never been more needed, or more important, than it is today.

Today, LSC provides federal funds to 134 independent nonprofit organizations with nearly 800 offices in every state, the District of Columbia and the territories of the United States. It awards grants to legal services providers through a competitive grants process and conducts compliance reviews and program visits to oversee quality and compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements.

Each year, these programs handle matters affecting more than 2 million people. LSC clients are the working poor, veterans, homeowners

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and renters, families with children, farmers, people with disabilities, and the elderly.

Even with a stellar network of civil legal service providers around the country, LSC



and its grantees cannot begin to meet all of the need. Studies show that 50% of those who seek and qualified to receive legal services are turned away because of lack of resources. And where do they go? As more and more low-income Americans are turned away, already overburdened court systems must deal with increasing numbers of litigants who are forced to represent themselves.

In 2013, for example, 4.3 million people appeared without counsel in the California state court system. On the federal level, about a quarter of the 21,000 cases in the 7th Circuit involve a self-represented individual, and many of these are civil cases. In New York, 2.3 million people tried to navigate the civil court system without a lawyer.

Large numbers of unrepresented litigants create financial and logistical burdens for courts. Cases involving self-represented parties frequently reach the courts as litigation, when—had counsel been involved—they would have been resolved long before reaching the court's docket.

These are just some of the issues we will be exploring over the next few days with experts from the judiciary, law schools, government, corporations and foundations, and partner organizations advocating for the poor. We thank you for taking the time to be with us, for caring about the 64 million Americans who are eligible for legal assistance from LSC grantees, and for wanting to work together to create a system where "justice for all" is possible.

Sincerely,

John G. Levi, Chairman Board of Directors James J. Sandman,
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## SCHEDULE-AT-A-GLANCE



	Monday, September 15, 2014
8:00 am	Buffet Breakfast Opens - Pre-Conference LSC Grantees
8:30 - 9:15 am	Panel: Current Congressional Climate
9:15 - 10:15 am	Panel: Stimulating Innovation to Increase Access to Justice
10:15 - 10:30 am	Break
10:30 - 11:30 am	Panel: Expanding and Diversifying Sources of Funding
11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Panel: Non-Profit Leadership in Challenging Times
12:45 - 2:00 pm	Lunch with Remarks by Justice Antonin Scalia, Supreme Court of the United States
2:00 - 3:00 pm	Check-In and Registration for general conference
2:30 - 3:15 pm	Welcome
3:15 - 4:40 pm	Panel: State Supreme Court Chief Justices and Judges
4:40 - 5:50 pm	Panel: Law Schools and Access to Justice
6:00 - 7:30 pm	Special Reception with Remarks by Secretary Hillary Rodham Clinton
	Tuesday, September 16, 2014
7:30 - 8:30 am	Breakfast and Remarks by Senator Ben Cardin
8:30 - 9:00 am	Remarks by Current and Former White House Counsels
9:00 - 10:10 am	Presentations: Rethinking Legal Aid

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#### **SCHEDULE-AT-A-GLANCE**

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4:30 - 5:15 pm	Presentation: The Clients We Serve—Personal Accounts of the Impact of Legal Aid
5:15 - 5:30 pm	Closing Remarks
6:00 pm	40th Anniversary Reception and Dinner

### **SCHEDULE**

#### **MONDAY, 9/15**

8:00 am • Buffet Breakfast Opens



## 8:30 - 9:15 am • Panel: Current Congressional Climate Panelists

- Stacy Cline Amin, *Minority Counsel to the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor & Pensions*
- Thomas Culligan, Legislative Director, Representative Frank Wolf
- Shannon Hutcherson Hines, *Minority Clerk, Senate Appropriations*Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice & Science for Vice Chairman
  Richard C. Shelby
- Michael P. Kreps, Counsel to the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor & Pensions
- Norberto Salinas, *Minority Counsel to the House Committee on the Judiciary*
- Carol Bergman (Moderator), Director of Government Relations and Public Affairs, LSC

## 9:15 - 10:15 am • Panel: Stimulating Innovation to Increase Access to Justice

The future belongs to the innovators—in legal aid, in law generally, in business, and in the non-profit sector. In a resource-constrained environment, survival and success depend on recognizing and seizing opportunities, adapting to change, and anticipating new developments. This panel presentation will identify the keys to successful innovation and address these questions:

- How do you create a culture of innovation within an organization?
- How do you encourage and empower innovation among staff?
- How do you overcome resistance to change?
- How can a board of directors promote and engage in innovation?
- How do you identify sources of innovative ideas (e.g., who to talk to, what to read, what events to attend, what partners to enlist in innovation)?
- What benefits to program management and client service can result from having a culture of innovation?
- How can we demonstrate innovations in legal aid to the larger world—to government funders, donors, partners, and communities?

#### **SCHEDULE (Monday)**

#### **Panelists**

- Martha Bergmark, Executive Director, Voices for Civil Justice
- Alex R. Gulotta, Executive Director, Bay Area Legal Aid (CA)
- Bonnie Rose Hough, Managing Attorney, The Judicial Council
- Ed Marks, Executive Director, New Mexico Legal Aid
- Alison Paul, Executive Director, Montana Legal Services Association
- David Stern (Moderator), Chief Executive Officer, Equal Justice Works

10:15 - 10:30 am • Break

## 10:30 - 11:30 am • Panel: Expanding and Diversifying Sources of Funding

Diversifying and expanding funding can increase a legal aid program's reach, expand access to justice, enlist new allies and advocates, and reduce the risk of dependence on only a few funders. The dramatic decline in IOLTA revenue and reductions in LSC funding in 2011, 2012, and 2013 have underscored just how vulnerable legal aid programs can be to reductions in a few funding sources. This panel discussion will focus on how to identify potential new funders and how to build and strengthen relationships with existing funders. The program will address these questions:

- How has the need for funding diversification changed over time?
- What are the benefits of diversified funding?
- How do you identify new sources of funding?
- How do you make the case for funding in terms your audience will understand?
- What is the role of the Executive Director in diversifying funding?
- How do you engage the board of directors in fundraising?
- How do you manage the costs of having many funding sources?
- How do you avoid having funders' priorities redefine your mission?
   Panelists
- Michael Brown, Co-Founder and CEO, City Year
- Steve Gottlieb, Executive Director, Atlanta Legal Aid Society
- Karen Lash, Acting Senior Counsel for Access to Justice,
   Department of Justice
- Mary McClymont, President, Public Welfare Foundation
- Betty Balli Torres, Executive Director, Texas Access to Justice Foundation
- Jim Sandman (Moderator), President, LSC

## 11:30 am - 12:30 pm • Panel: Non-Profit Leadership in Challenging Times



Legal aid programs today are not-for-profit businesses, often of significant size. They can employ scores of people in multiple offices and have eight figure budgets. Leading them requires a wide variety of skills, most of which are not taught in law schools: setting strategic direction, managing people, managing change, managing finances, understanding and deploying technology, developing strong governance practices, fundraising, cultivating board candidates, and marketing to and communicating with different audiences. This panel discussion will focus on the characteristics that define effective non-profit leadership in challenging times. The program will address these questions:

- How does the quality of an organization's leadership affect the organization's performance?
- What are the characteristics of the most effective and successful nonprofit leaders?
- How can nonprofit leaders develop or enhance skills they may not have been taught or seen modeled?
- What priorities should an effective nonprofit leader have?
- How do effective leaders build strong teams and master the art of delegating?
- What resources are available to help hone nonprofit leadership skills?
- How can nonprofit leaders cultivate successors who can hit the ground running with their leadership skills already developed?
   Panelists
- Lindsey Buss, Senior Officer, Community Outreach, The World Bank; former President and CEO, Martha's Table
- Kelly Sweeney McShane, President and CEO, Community of Hope
- Rhodia D. Thomas, Executive Director, MidPenn Legal Services
- Father Pius Pietrzyk, O.P. (Moderator), Board Member, LSC

## 12:45 - 2:00 pm • Lunch and Remarks by Justice Antonin Scalia, Supreme Court of the United States

## 2:00 - 3:00 pm • Check-In and Registration for Broader Audience

#### **SCHEDULE (Monday-Tuesday)**

2:30 - 3:15 pm • Welcoming Remarks – Tony West, U.S. Associate Attorney General; Mark Filip, former U.S. Deputy Attorney General and current Partner, Kirkland & Ellis LLP; Lisa Madigan, Illinois Attorney General; and Greg Zoeller, Indiana Attorney General

## 3:15 - 4:30 pm • Panel: State Supreme Court Chief Justices/ Judges

#### **Panelists**

- Chief Justice Shirley S. Abrahamson, Wisconsin Supreme Court
- Chief Justice Ronald Castille, Pennsylvania Supreme Court
- Justice Jess H. Dickinson, Mississippi Supreme Court
- Chief Justice Ralph Gants, Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts
- Chief Justice Michael Heavican, Nebraska Supreme Court and Immediate Past President of Conference of Chief Justices
- Chief Justice Nathan Hecht, Texas Supreme Court
- Chief Judge Jonathan Lippman, New York Court of Appeals
- Senior Justice Petra Maes, New Mexico Supreme Court
- Chief Justice Mark E. Recktenwald, Hawaii Supreme Court
- Chief Judge Diane Wood (Moderator), United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

#### 4:30 - 5:50 pm • Panel: Law Schools and Access to Justice Panelists

- Dean Ken Gormley, Dean and Professor, Duquesne Law
- Dean David Levi, Duke Law
- Dean Martha Minow, Morgan and Helen Chu Dean and Professor of Law, Harvard Law School
- Dean Blake D. Morant, The George Washington University Law School and Robert Kramer Research Professor of Law, and President-Elect of the Association of American Law Schools
- Dean Robert Post, Dean and Sol & Lillian Goldman Professor of Law, Yale Law School
- Dean Margaret Raymond, University of Wisconsin Law School
- Dean Michael H. Schill, Dean and Harry N. Wyatt Professor of Law, University of Chicago Law School
- Dean Deanell R. Tacha, Duane and Kelly Roberts Dean and Professor of Law, Pepperdine School of Law
- Dean William Treanor, Executive Vice President and Dean, Georgetown Law Center



■ Peter Keisler (Moderator), former Acting U.S. Attorney General and Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division, and Partner, Sidley Austin LLP

#### 6:00 - 7:30 pm • Reception

Opening remarks by **Douglas Eakeley**, *LSC Board Chairman 1993-2003 and Partner*, *Lowenstein Sandler LLP*. Introduction by **Harold Koh**, *former Legal Advisor*, *Department of State and Sterling Professor of International Law, Yale Law School*. Remarks by **Secretary Hillary Rodham Clinton**.

#### Tuesday, 9/16

7:30 - 8:30 am • Buffet Breakfast with Remarks by Senator Ben Cardin

8:30 - 9:00 am • Remarks by current and former White House Counsels: W. Neil Eggleston, Harriett Miers, and Bob Bauer.

#### 9:00 - 10:10 am • Presentations: Rethinking Legal Aid

Studies consistently show that the current system for providing legal aid in the United States addresses only 20% of the civil legal needs of low-income Americans, and LSC's "Justice Gap" reports showed that only half of the people who seek assistance from LSC grantees actually get help. These presentations will build on the report of LSC's recent Technology Summit and suggest a reconsideration of the service-delivery model for civil legal aid. How can we move toward providing some form of effective assistance to 100% of people otherwise unable to afford an attorney for dealing with essential civil legal needs? How can we make better use of paraprofessionals, "navigators," and technology? How can we simplify and streamline legal processes to make the courts and administrative agencies more accessible to self-represented litigants? What would a well-functioning, affordable, realistic system that provides real access to justice look like? What are the obstacles to developing that system, and how can they be overcome?

#### **Presenters**

- Lisa Colpoys, CEO, Illinois Legal Aid Online
- Professor Scott Cummings, UCLA Law School
- Professor Deborah Rhode, Stanford Law School
- Professor Ronald Staudt, *IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law*

#### **SCHEDULE** (Tuesday)

- Professor David Wilkins, Harvard Law School
- Robert J. Grey, Jr. (Moderator), Board Member, LSC, and Partner, Hunton & Williams

## 10:10 - 10:20 am • Introduction of Business Leadership panels by Valerie Jarrett, Senior Advisor to the President

## 10:20 - 11:30 am • Panel: The Importance of Access to Justice to American Business

Although business leaders may not seem obvious experts in civil legal services for low-income individuals, CEOs of leading companies know the importance to our economy of access to justice and the rule of law. The confidence of the American business community and foreign businesses in the fairness and accessibility of our justice system is foundational. It allows people and businesses to invest in our country knowing that they can rely on the enforceability of contracts and the fair resolution of disputes. American businesses also depend on employees and consumers who perceive the nation's laws to be legitimate, who receive the rights and protections to which they are legally entitled, and who rely on both the fairness and reliability of our justice system. Heads of global businesses know the challenges of dealing with nations that struggle with corruption and lack of public confidence in the domestic legal system.

#### **Panelists**

- Maria Contreras-Sweet, Administrator, U.S. Small Business Administration
- Kenneth Frazier, CEO, Merck
- Shari Redstone, Vice Chair, CBS and Viacom
- David Rubenstein, CEO, Carlyle Group
- Arne Sorenson, CEO, Marriott International
- Martha Minow (Moderator), Vice Chair, LSC, and Dean, Harvard Law School

## 11:30 am - 12:40 pm • Panel: The Role of Corporate Counsel in Expanding Access to Justice

This panel of corporate general counsel will focus on their own businesses' involvements in civil legal aid in their communities, what they are seeing and experiencing first hand, and their partnerships with law firms and legal service providers to bring talent and innovation to the delivery of quality legal services for low-income people.

#### **Panelists**

■ Darryl Bradford, Senior Vice President and General Counsel, Exelon



- Mark Chandler, Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Secretary, and Chief Compliance Officer, Cisco
- Brackett Denniston, Senior Vice President and General Counsel, General Electric
- Ivan Fong, Senior Vice President and General Counsel, 3M
- Lucy Lee Helm, Executive Vice President, General Counsel, and Secretary, Starbucks
- Max W. Laun, Vice President and General Counsel, Alcoa
- Teresa Wynn Roseborough, Executive Vice President, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary, The Home Depot
- Ronald S. Flagg (Moderator), Vice President for Legal Affairs, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary, LSC

## 12:45 - 2:00 pm • Lunch with remarks by Vice President Joseph Biden, introduction by the Honorable Abner Mikva

## 2:00 - 2:15 pm • Remarks by William Hubbard, *President, American Bar Association*

## 2:15 - 3:30 pm • Panel: The Impact of Pro Bono Lawyers on the Justice Gap

#### **Panelists**

- Ann S. Bergen, Law Offices of Ann Bergen
- Tim Bertschy, Partner, Heyl Royster
- Dana Cornett, Law Offices of Dana Cornett
- Kathryn Fritz, Managing Partner, Fenwick & West
- Craig Martin, Partner and Co-Chair of Litigation Department, Jenner & Block
- Virginia Martin, Legal Services Director, New Hampshire Bar Association
- Lee Miller, Global Co-Chairman, DLA Piper
- Stephen C. Neal, Chairman, Cooley LLP
- Steve Schulman, President, Association of Pro Bono Counsel, and Pro Bono Partner, Akin Gump
- Virginia Seitz, Partner, Sidley Austin LLP and Former Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, U.S. Department of Justice
- Mary K. Ryan (Moderator), Chair, ABA Standing Committee on Pro Bono and Partner, Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP

#### **SCHEDULE** (Tuesday)



## 3:30 - 4:30 pm • Panel: Reflections on the Past and Predictions for the Future: The View from the Front Lines

This panel of experienced executive directors of LSC-funded legal aid programs will address lessons learned from their experiences over time and their thoughts on how legal aid programs of the future will address the challenge of expanding access to justice.

#### **Panelists**

- Jon Asher, Executive Director, Colorado Legal Services
- Colleen Cotter, Executive Director, Legal Aid Society of Cleveland
- Nan Heald, Executive Director, Pine Tree Legal Assistance
- Harrison McIver, III, Executive Director, Memphis Area Legal Services
- Gary Smith, Executive Director, Legal Services of Northern California
- John Whitfield, Executive Director, Blue Ridge Legal Services, Inc.
- Jim Sandman (Moderator), President, LSC

## 4:30 - 5:15 pm • Presentation: The Clients We Serve—Personal Accounts of the Impact of Legal Aid

Four clients who have been served by LSC-funded legal aid programs will describe how their lives were changed by the assistance they received.

#### **Panelists**

- Ilah Adkins, Ohio
- Harold Anderson, Georgia
- Brenda Brown, Pennsylvania
- Juliette White, New Mexico
- Julie Reiskin (Moderator), Board Member, LSC

5:15 - 5:30 pm • Closing Remarks

6:00 - 7:00 pm • 40th Anniversary Reception

7:00 - 9:30 pm • 40th Anniversary Dinner with special guests including United States Attorney General Eric Holder. This dinner will recognize the executive directors of LSC-funded legal aid programs who have served for 40 years, and LSC will announce the 2014 Pro Bono Innovation Fund awardees.

(In order of appearance)

#### John G. Levi

John G. Levi was nominated to serve on the



Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation by President Obama on August 6, 2009, and was confirmed by the U.S. Senate on March 19, 2010. He was elected the 10th Chairman of the LSC Board on April 7, 2010. Levi is a partner in the Chicago office of Sidley Austin, LLP, where his practice focuses on employment law. He is the past chair of Sidley's Law School Hiring Committee and heads the firm's committee overseeing its adopt-a-school program. Levi is a founding member of the Advisory Board for the Northwestern University Law School Center on Wrongful Convictions and on the board of Cook County Justice for Children. He was President and a longtime Trustee of the Francis W. Parker School in Chicago and in 2014 was honored with an endowed position at school bearing his name and by being made a Life Trustee. In 2011 Levi received the inaugural Mikva Challenge Corporate Citizenship Award for civic leadership and was elected in 2013 as a member of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences. He is recognized in the 2014 and 2015 editions of The Best Lawyers in America in Labor Law Management and the Legal 500 U.S. 2013 and 2014 for Labor and Employment. Levi received his B.A. with honors from the University of Rochester in 1969 and earned his J.D. in 1972 and LL.M. in 1973 from Harvard Law School.

#### James J. Sandman

James J. Sandman has been president of the Legal Services Corporation since 2011. He practiced law with Arnold & Porter LLP for 30 years, serving as the firm's managing partner for 10 years. From 2007 to 2011, he was general counsel for the District of Columbia Public Schools. Sandman was president of the District of Columbia Bar from 2006-2007 and served on the Bar's Board of Governors from 2003-2008. He is currently the chair of the DC Bar's Pro Bono Committee and chair of the District of Columbia Circuit Judicial Conference Committee on Pro Bono Legal Services. He is a member of the District of Columbia Access to Justice Commission and of the Pro Bono Institute's Law Firm Pro Bono Project Advisory Committee. He is chairman of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission's District of Columbia State Advisory Committee, chairman of the board of the DC Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy, vice chairman of the board of the Washington Performing Arts Society, and a member of the boards of the Meyer

Foundation, the College of Saint Rose, and Tahirih Justice Center. He previously served as chairman of the board of Whitman-Walker Health and as a member of the boards of the Neighborhood Legal Services Program of the District of Columbia, and the University of Pennsylvania Law School, which has honored him with its Alumni Award of Merit and its Howard Lesnick Pro Bono Award. Sandman is a summa cum laude graduate of Boston College, where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and received his J.D. cum laude from the University of Pennsylvania, where he served as executive editor of the law review and was elected to the Order of the Coif. He began his legal career as a law clerk to Judge Max Rosenn of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

#### Panel: Current Congressional Climate

#### **Stacy Cline Amin**

Stacy Cline Amin is the Director of Oversight and Investigations for Ranking Member Alexander (R-TN) on the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee. From 2010-2012 she served as Counsel to the House Energy and Commerce Committee; prior to that she worked in private practice at Caplin & Drysdale Chtd. (2008-2010) and at Sullivan Cromwell LLP (2005-2007). Stacy clerked for the Hon. John R. Gibson on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit. She graduated *cum laude* from Harvard Law School and *summa cum laude* from George Washington University with a B.A. in philosophy.

#### Thomas Culligan

Thomas Culligan serves as Legislative Director and Associate Staff to Chairman Frank Wolf's (R-VA) Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations subcommittee, which funds the Justice Department, Commerce Department, NASA, National Science Foundation and LSC, among other agencies. In this position he manages Rep. Wolf's legislative staff and advises the chairman on policy, budget and appropriations issues. Prior to joining Rep. Wolf's office in 2008, Culligan served as Associate Staff to Vice-Chairman Tom Petri (R-WI) on the House Education and the Workforce Committee. Culligan received his B.A. in International Affairs from James Madison University (JMU) and his M.PP in National Security Management from George Mason University (GMU). He also currently serves on the JMU Alumni Board of Directors.

#### **Shannon Hutcherson Hines**

Shannon Hutcherson Hines serves as the Minority Clerk, Senate

Appropriations Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice & Science for Vice Chairman, Richard C. Shelby (AL). Prior to joining the Appropriations Committee in February of 2014, Ms. Hines was a Republican Senior Professional Staff Member on the Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee. On the Banking Committee, Ms. Hines was primarily responsible for transportation, infrastructure and related issues. She joined the Banking Committee in March of 2007. Ms. Hines has worked for Senator Shelby since August 1999 and has served in various capacities since that time, including positions in the Senator's personal office and an earlier stint on the Senate Committee on Appropriations. While working on the Appropriations Committee Ms. Hines served on the Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Affairs as a professional staff member during Senator Shelby's tenure as Chairman and Ranking Member of the Subcommittee. While working in Senator Shelby's personal office she served as a Legislative Assistant. In addition, Ms. Hines served as the Senator's Legislative Director and Chief of Staff during his tenure as Chairman of the Banking Committee which was responsible for constructing the Transit Title of SAFETEA-LU and the 9-11 bill. Prior to joining Senator Shelby's staff in 1999, Ms. Hines worked in the United States House of Representatives for Congressman Lamar Smith (R-TX) and Congressman Fred Heineman (R-NC). Shannon is a native of North Carolina and a graduate of Wake Forest University.

#### Michael Kreps

Michael Kreps serves as senior counsel for the U.S. Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, where he advises Chairman Tom Harkin on matters related to retirement and employment policy. Kreps has primary staff responsibility for legislation affecting pensions, civil rights, non-discrimination laws, and Legal Services Corporation. Recently, Kreps was involved in the development of the funding stabilization and Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation reform provisions of the MAP-21 Act of 2012. He also worked on the Pension Relief Act of 2010 and the pension investment provisions of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. Kreps practiced law at the Groom Law Group in Washington, DC before joining the HELP Committee staff. He advised employers, labor unions, plan trustees, and financial institutions on the fiduciary and prohibited transaction rules, as well as plan funding, termination, and restructuring. He holds a J.D., with honors, from The George Washington University Law School and a B.A., with distinction, in history and art history from the University of Colorado.

#### **Norberto Salinas**

Norberto Salinas is a counsel on the House Committee on the Judiciary

where he advises the Ranking Member and Democratic staff on policy issues including intellectual property, state taxation affecting interstate commerce, sports law, legal services, appropriations, and the budget. Salinas joined the Committee in 2007 after several years practicing employment law in Washington, D.C. He received his J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School and earned his undergraduate degree from Wabash College.

#### Carol Bergman

Carol Bergman was appointed director of government relations and public affairs of the Legal Services Corporation in March 2012. She is responsible for managing LSC's communications and relationship with Congress, the executive branch, the media, and the general public. Bergman has been engaged in federal legislative and policy work for more than 25 years. She served as director of legislative affairs for drug policy in the Clinton White House, and as associate counsel for the Committee on Government Operations in the U.S. House of Representatives, under Chairman John Conyers. She has also worked for several non-governmental organizations on a wide range of domestic and international issues that disproportionately impact poor people, including HIV/AIDS, domestic violence, and criminal justice reform. Bergman has testified before the U.S. Congress, the Parliament of the United Kingdom, and several state legislatures. She is an adjunct professor at George Washington University where she has taught congressional affairs in the Department of Global Health. She has also taught at American University's Washington College of Law where she was a resident fellow in the Program on Law and Government. Bergman has a B.A. from Hampshire College and a J.D. from Golden Gate University School of Law.

#### Panel: Stimulating Innovation to Increase Access to Justice

#### Martha Bergmark

Martha Bergmark is executive director of Voices for Civil Justice, the new national, non-partisan communications hub for civil legal aid. Voices for Civil Justice raises awareness in the media of the vital role of civil legal aid in assuring fairness for all in the justice system. Over four decades, Bergmark has founded and led initiatives to expand access to justice. In 2003, she launched the Mississippi Center for Justice, a civil legal aid organization whose mission is to advance racial and economic justice through systemic change. Under her leadership, the Center scored significant policy and litigation wins and, over ten years, grew to a \$4 million budget with 35 staff at three offices. Bergmark previously served tenures as president and executive

vice president of the Legal Services Corporation and as senior vice president for programs of the National Legal Aid and Defender Association. She began her legal career as a Reginald Heber Smith Fellow in her home state of Mississippi where she subsequently worked as a civil rights lawyer and as founding executive director of Southeast Mississippi Legal Services (now a part of Mississippi Center for Legal Services). Bergmark is a recipient of the ABA Section of Litigation's John Minor Wisdom Public Service and Professionalism Award and a White House Champion of Change. She is a graduate of the University of Michigan Law School and Oberlin College and holds honorary doctorates from Oberlin College and Millsaps College.

#### Alex Gulotta

Alex Gulotta is the executive director of Bay Area Legal Services, which he joined in January 2014. With nearly 30 years of experience as a poverty law advocate, Gulotta is a life-long advocate for social justice. After practicing as a legal aid lawyer in Appalachian Kentucky and in Wisconsin, he moved to Virginia in 1994 to become the executive director of the Legal Aid Justice Center (LAJC). As LAJC executive director, he earned a national reputation for his tenacity and creativity. Under his tenure the one-office, eight person program with a \$350,000 budget, grew into a four-office, forty person program with a budget of approximately \$4 million. Gulotta also has extensive experience as a consultant assisting legal aid and other advocacy programs with strategic planning, quality improvement and peer review assessments. Gulotta holds a B.A. and J.D. from Marguette University, and has earned numerous awards including Virginia State Bar's Legal Aid Lawyer of the Year Award in 1999, the National Legal Aid and Defender Association's Charles Dorsey Award in 2003, a resolution of commendation from the Virginia General Assembly in 2004, and was named a Fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation in 2005.

#### Bonnie Rose Hough

Bonnie Rose Hough is the managing attorney for the Center for Families, Children & the Courts of the Judicial Council of California (CFCC) and oversees its Access to Justice, Self Help, Family Law, Domestic Violence, and Tribal/State programs. She manages the Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Act Pilot Projects and the California Equal Access Fund, which provide over \$24 million in funding for legal services agencies. She has been employed by the Judicial Council since August 1997. The focus of her work is on helping courts meet the needs of people who cannot afford counsel in civil cases. Before joining CFCC, Hough was in private practice in family law. She is a founder of the Family Law Center in Marin County and served as its executive

director and lead attorney for 6 years. Hough attended Hastings College of the Law and also has a master's in public administration. She received the Faye Stender award from California Women Lawyers, the Opening Doors to Justice award from the Public Interest Clearinghouse, the Award of Merit from the Legal Aid Association of California and the California Commission on Access to Justice for her work to increase access to the courts for low-income persons. She serves on the Executive Board of the National Self-Represented Litigation Network and the American Bar Association's Standing Committee on the Delivery of Legal Services. Hough is a Fellow of the College of Law Practice Management and the Bellow-Sacks Access to Civil Legal Services at Harvard Law School.

#### **Ed Marks**

Ed Marks is the executive director of New Mexico Legal Aid, a statewide LSC-funded program with 10 offices and more than 60 staff. Marks is also a member of the New Mexico Commission on Access to Justice. Prior to 2011, Marks was Litigation Director for Legal Aid of Western Ohio, where he helped establish regional initiatives for prisoner re-entry issues and focused on expanding rural advocacy resources. He also has been a national trainer and consultant for legal aid technology, and participated in LSC's recent Summit on the Use of Technology to Enhance Access to Justice. Marks began his legal services career in 1988 as a staff attorney with DNA Legal Services on the Navajo and Hopi Nations in Arizona.

#### Alison Paul

Alison Paul is the executive director of the Montana Legal Services Association in Helena, Montana. Prior to moving to Montana, Paul attended law school at the University of Kansas, where she was a member of the Law Review. Upon graduating from law school, Paul went into private practice in Chicago, primarily advising tax-exempt organizations on tax and corporate issues. She joined the Montana Legal Services Association in 1998 as an attorney with its Domestic Violence Unit. Paul is a member of the Montana Supreme Court Access to Justice Commission, and the current co-chair of the NLADA Technology Committee. She received the 2005 NLADA Innovations in Equal Justice Award for her innovative use of technology to serve MLSA's low income clients.

#### **David Stern**

David Stern is chief executive officer for Equal Justice Works. He is responsible for articulating the vision for the organization, working with the Board of Directors to develop the strategic directions, raising necessary funds, and ensuring the overall health of the organization. He joined the staff in 1992 as

the first director of the Fellowships program, and became executive director in June 1995. Since then, the organization's budget has grown from roughly \$1.5 million to \$8 million, the staff has grown from eight to 30, the number of postgraduate fellowships has grown from 20 to more than 100; and more than 95 percent of ABA-accredited schools are members of Equal Justice Works. Stern graduated f+rom the Georgetown University Law Center in 1985 and clerked for two federal judges in Baltimore. He then worked for a small public interest law firm that represented whistleblowers in government and private industry, as well as individuals discriminated against on the basis of their sex, race, disability, sexual orientation, or age.

#### Panel: Expanding and Diversifying Sources of Funding

#### Michael Brown

Michael Brown is CEO and co-founder of City Year, an education-focused nonprofit organization that mobilizes idealistic young people for a year of service in high-need schools. City Year served as an inspiration for AmeriCorps, the federal initiative through which more than 800,000 Americans have served their country. City Year has more than 20,000 alumni who have contributed more than 33.5 million hours of service and earned access to more than \$71 million in college scholarships through the AmeriCorps National Service Trust. For his work developing City Year and advancing the national service movement, Brown has been awarded the Reebok Human Rights Award and several honorary degrees. He has been named one of America's Best Leaders by US News & World Report and an Executive of the Year and a member of The Power and Influence Top 50 by The NonProfit Times. He is a graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Law School, where he served as an editor of the Harvard Law Review. Prior to co-founding City Year, Brown served as a legislative assistant to then Congressman Leon Panetta and as a clerk for Federal Judge Stephen Breyer.

#### Steve Gottlieb

Steve Gottlieb graduated from the University of Pennsylvania School of Law in 1969, and then returned to Atlanta Legal Aid as a Reginald Heber Smith fellow. During the next five years, he worked in and managed three of Atlanta Legal Aid's offices. He then managed the Savannah Office of the Georgia Legal Services Program. In 1977, he returned to Atlanta as the deputy director of Atlanta Legal Aid. He became its executive director in 1980 and is among the longest serving legal aid directors in the country. In addition to its traditional poverty law practice, Gottlieb has presided over the

development of nine of Atlanta Legal Aid's ten special programs. He inherited the still-thriving Senior Citizens Law Project and encouraged the institution and growth of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program, the Disability Integration Project, the Home Defense Program, the AIDS/ALS & Cancer Initiative, the Hispanic Outreach Law Project, the Grandparent/Relative Caregiver Project, the Georgia Senior Legal Hotline, TeamChild Atlanta and the Health Law Partnership.

#### Karen A. Lash

Karen A. Lash is the acting senior counselor for Access to Justice at the U.S. Department of Justice. Before joining the Department, she was a consultant for law schools and nonprofits, including the Mississippi Center for Justice, American Constitution Society, National Legal Aid and Defender Association, and the law schools at UC Irvine and UC Berkeley. She has served as Equal Justice Works vice president of Programs, University of Southern California Law School associate dean, Public Counsel's Child Care Law project director, Tuttle & Taylor associate, and clerk to U.S. Ninth Circuit court of Appeals Judge Warren J. Ferguson. Lash co-chaired the California Access to Justice Commission, and has helped establish legal clinics in Moldova, Ukraine, Slovakia, Cambodia, Kyrgyzstan, Serbia and Macedonia. She has published numerous articles, including Doing Justice to Law: And What Justice Rothgerber Participants Did to Law, The Right Partners at the Right Time: New Opportunities for Federal Agency and Legal Aid Collaboration, and Pitching Pro Bono: Getting to First Base with the 'Big Firm.' Lash has a B.A. from UCLA and a J.D. from USC Law School, where she served as an executive editor of the Southern California Law Review.

#### Mary McClymont

Mary McClymont joined the Public Welfare Foundation in Washington, DC as its president in 2011. Previously, she served as executive director of Global Rights, an international human rights capacity-building organization that promotes and protects the rights of marginalized populations in the developing world. She was president and CEO of InterAction, the largest alliance of U.S.-based international development and humanitarian NGOs, and she held various executive positions at the Ford Foundation, including as vice president of the Peace and Social Justice Program. McClymont earlier served as the national director for legalization of the Migration and Refugee Services, U.S. Catholic Conference; senior staff counsel, the National Prison Project of the American Civil Liberties Union; trial attorney, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice; and assistant director for Corrections, National Street Law Institute, Georgetown University Law Center. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and a member of the District of Columbia bar.

She currently serves on the board of the Washington Regional Association of Grantmakers, and the New Perimeter Advisory Board. She previously served on the boards of Physicians for Human Rights, Amnesty International, the Advisory Committee of Elma Philanthropies Services and the Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid, USAID. She chaired the board of the Migration Policy Institute and was the co-founder of Grantmakers Concerned with Immigrants and Refugees. McClymont has an LL.M. in International Legal Studies from the American University Washington College of Law and a J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center.

#### Betty Balli Torres

Betty Balli Torres has served as the executive director of the Texas Access to Justice Foundation since October 2001. Torres started her career as a staff attorney at Legal Aid of Central Texas after graduating from the University of Texas School of Law in 1987. She has held various public interest law positions, including: executive director of Laredo Legal Aid Society, Inc., legal director of Volunteer Legal Services of Central Texas, managing attorney of Legal Aid of Central Texas (Austin) and as a staff attorney at Advocacy, Inc. (Rio Grande Valley). She is a past president of the National Association of IOLTA Programs. She serves on the boards of Management Information Exchange (MIE) and Pro Bono Net. Torres serves as vice-chair of the Hispanic Issues Section of the State Bar of Texas and is a member of the Texas Human Trafficking Prevention Task Force. Throughout her career, she has served on many local, statewide and national committees and task forces relating to improving legal services to the poor. She is a recipient of the Travis County Women Lawyers Association's Outstanding Public Interest Attorney Award, the Austin Bar Association's Regina Rogoff Award, the "Nonny" Award for Outstanding Nonprofit Leadership in Austin, the "Star of Justice" Award from the Texas Access to Justice Commission, the prestigious Harold Kleinman Award, the Community Service Award and Chair's Award from the Hispanic Issues Section of the State Bar of Texas and the ABA's Grassroots Advocacy Award.

#### Panel: Non-Profit Leadership in Challenging Times

#### **Lindsey Buss**

Lindsey Buss is senior officer for Community Outreach at the World Bank Group, where he oversees philanthropic, volunteer, and a variety of other community activities such as the high school internship program. Prior to joining the World Bank Group, Lindsey served for nine years as president &

CEO of Martha's Table, a nonprofit in Washington, DC that helps families and individuals succeed with education, work readiness, nutrition and other support programs. From early childhood education to groceries to clothing, Martha's Table works with 1800 people daily and has the support of 10,000 volunteers a year. Lindsey began his professional career in Washington, D.C. as an associate at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP, where he practiced for seven years. He specialized in litigation and investigations. Lindsey has received various honors, including the Meyer Foundation Exponent Award for nonprofit leadership and Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher Pro Bono Attorney of the Year.

#### Kelly Sweeney McShane

Kelly Sweeney McShane has served as president and CEO of Community of Hope in Washington, DC since January 2001. During that time, the organization has grown from a budget of \$1.8 million to \$14 million and more than tripled the number of people served. Community of Hope, which was founded in 1980, provides housing for homeless families and affordable, quality healthcare in a family practice model. McShane previously served as executive director of Hannah House, a transitional housing program for homeless women in DC, and was a Peace Corps Volunteer in Sierra Leone, West Africa. She currently serves on the Board of Directors of the DC Primary Care Association and 501cTech, and is also a member of the Mayor's Interagency Council on Homelessness, including co-chairing the Strategic Planning Committee. She is chair of the Board of the William J. and Dorothy K. O'Neill Foundation. She is a member of the 2006 class of Leadership Greater Washington. She received a M.B.A. from Georgetown University and has a B.A. from Harvard University. McShane is a winner of the Eugene and Agnes E. Meyer Foundation's Exponent Award, which recognizes nonprofit leadership. She also was recognized as a Champion of Change by the DC Primary Care Association in 2011. She is co-author of a book entitled Winning Ways: Great Nonprofit Management Ideas. She led Community of Hope to receive The Washington Post Award for Excellence in Nonprofit Management in 2012 and a 2014 Top Washington Workplaces Award from The Washington Post.

#### **Rhodia Thomas**

Rhodia Thomas serves as executive director of MidPenn Legal Services, a non-profit organization that provides civil legal services to low-income individuals and domestic violence survivors in 18 counties in central-Pennsylvania. She graduated *magna cum laude* from Syracuse University, with a B.S. in Education, and received her J.D. from Widener University School of Law. Thomas is active in the Pennsylvania Bar Association (PBA) and currently serves as a member of the PBA Constitutional Review Committee. Until

recently, she served as co-chair of the PBA's Access to

Justice Committee. She is also a member of the Minority

Per Committee and for three years also as chaired the

Justice Committee. She is also a member of the Minority
Bar Committee and for three years she co-chaired the
MBC's *Diversity Summit*. She is a member of the PBA's Immigration Law,
and Legal Services to the Public Committees. In July 2012, Thomas was
elected to the Board of the Pennsylvania Bar Institute, and currently chairs
the Audit Committee of PBI. She is now serving as president of the
Pennsylvania Project Directors Association. Thomas has received several
awards including the PLAN Excellence Award, the Outstanding Minority
Scholar Award, Women of Excellence Award, and in 2002 she was named
as one of 50 *Minorities of Influence* by the American Lawyer Media.

#### **Father Pius Pietrzyk**

Father Pius is a priest of the Order of Preachers (the "Dominicans") currently studying at the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome. Before that, he served as a parish priest in Zanesville, OH. He was ordained to the priesthood on May 23, 2008, after having entered the novitiate for the Dominican Province of St. Joseph in 2002 and studied for his License in Sacred Theology. His thesis was on St. Thomas Aquinas's account of Knowledge and Love in understanding the persons of the Trinity. Prior to entering the Dominican Order, he worked for three years in the Corporate and Securities practice of Sidley Austin LLP in Chicago. Fr. Pius was raised in Phoenix, Arizona, where he attended Brophy College Preparatory. He graduated from the University of Arizona with a double major in English and philosophy, and obtained his J.D. from the University of Chicago.

#### **Lunch Program**

#### **Justice Antonin Scalia**

Antonin Scalia, Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, was in private practice in Cleveland, Ohio from 1961-1967, a Professor of Law at the University of Virginia from 1967-1971, a Professor of Law at the University of Chicago from 1977-1982, and a Visiting Professor of Law at Georgetown University and Stanford University. He was chairman of the American Bar Association's Section of Administrative Law, 1981-1982, and its Conference of Section Chairmen, 1982-1983. Justice Scalia served the federal government as general counsel of the Office of Telecommunications Policy from 1971-1972, chairman of the Administrative Conference of the United States from 1972-1974, and assistant attorney general for the Office of Legal Counsel from 1974-1977. He was appointed Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in 1982.

President Reagan nominated him as an associate justice of the Supreme Court, and he took his seat September 26, 1986. Justice Scalia received his A.B. from Georgetown University and the University of Fribourg, Switzerland, and his LL.B. from Harvard Law School, and was a Sheldon Fellow of Harvard University from 1960-1961.

#### Mark Filip

Mark Filip is a partner in the Chicago and Washington, D.C. offices of Kirkland & Ellis LLP. At Kirkland, Mark leads the Firm's government enforcement defense and internal investigations group, and he serves as one of 15 members of the Firm's worldwide management committee. Prior to joining Kirkland, Mark was at the U.S. Department of Justice, where he served as Deputy Attorney General of the United States after being unanimously confirmed by the U.S. Senate. As Deputy Attorney General, Mark was second-in-command of the Justice Department and oversaw all of its criminal and civil enforcement efforts. Among other things, he authored key Justice Department's policies concerning aspects of white collar enforcement, in what is generally referred to as the "Filip Memo." As Deputy Attorney General, Mark also represented the Department in interactions with Congress, the White House, and other cabinet-level Departments, as well as with numerous foreign governments throughout Europe, the Middle East, Asia, and South America. Mark also served as Acting Attorney General for the new administration after January 20. 2009, until Attorney General of the United States, Eric Holder, was confirmed. Prior to serving as Deputy Attorney General, Mark spent four years as a federal judge in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. Before his time on the bench, Mark was a partner at Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom in Chicago, where he practiced from 1999 to 2004. Mark joined Skadden after serving as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Illinois, After law school, Mark clerked at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, for the Honorable Stephen F. Williams. He then served as a law clerk to Justice Antonin Scalia at the U.S. Supreme Court.

#### Lisa Madigan

In November 2002, Lisa Madigan became the first woman elected Illinois attorney general, and one of a handful of female attorneys general in the country. Under Madigan's leadership, the attorney general's office has generated more than \$10 billion for the state. Her office has gained a national reputation for combating financial fraud and securing nearly \$2.5 billion in relief for Illinois residents in the wake of the financial crisis. Madigan has dedicated

her office's resources to protecting children and women from sexual predators and established herself as a leader for open and accessible government. She has been widely praised for implementing a series of proactive law enforcement strategies to protect seniors and to combat the spread of methamphetamine and synthetic drugs throughout Illinois. Previously, Madigan served in the Illinois Senate and worked as a litigator for a Chicago law firm. Before becoming an attorney, she was a teacher and community advocate, developing after-school programs to keep kids away from drugs and gangs. Madigan also volunteered as a high school teacher in South Africa during apartheid. Madigan earned her A.B. from Georgetown University and her J.D. from Loyola University Chicago School of Law.

#### **Tony West**

Tony West was appointed the Acting Associate Attorney General of the United States on March 9, 2012, and was confirmed by the U.S. Senate on July 25, 2013. As the Associate Attorney General, Mr. West's primary responsibility is to advise and assist the Attorney General and the Deputy Attorney General in formulating and implementing Departmental policies and programs related to a broad range of issues, including civil litigation, federal and local law enforcement, and public safety. Mr. West, the third-ranking official at the agency, oversees the Department's civil litigating components, grant-making components, the Office of Tribal Justice, the Executive Office for U.S. Trustees, the Office of Information Policy, the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, and the Access to Justice Initiative. Mr. West also serves as the Co-Chair of the President's Task Force on Puerto Rico, the Vice Chair of the Steering Committee of the President's Financial Fraud Enforcement Task Force, and the federal government's highest-ranking Chief FOIA Officer. From April 2009 to March 2012, Mr. West served as the Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Division. In addition to focusing on traditional areas of the Civil Division's work, Mr. West bolstered the Civil Division's affirmative civil enforcement efforts in recovering taxpaver money lost to fraud and abuse and emphasized the Division's responsibility to bring civil and criminal actions to enforce the nation's consumer protection laws. Mr. West graduated with honors from Harvard College, where he served as publisher of the Harvard Political Review, and received his law degree from Stanford Law School, where he was elected President of the Stanford Law Review.

#### Greg Zoeller

Greg Zoeller was elected Indiana's 42nd Attorney General November 2008 and sworn into office January 12, 2009. Zoeller was re-elected to a second term in November 2012 and sworn into office January 14, 2013. A commitment to

service marks the career of Attorney General Zoeller. With a focus on consumer protection and public health and safety, Zoeller created and serves as co-chair of Indiana's Prescription Drug Task Force, is a member of the Commission on Improving the Status of Children in Indiana, supports the expansion of School Resource Officers, and serves as the National Association of Attorneys General Tobacco Committee Co-Chair. Other accomplishments as Attorney General include enhanced privacy protections for Hoosiers through expansion of the Do Not Call law to include cell phones, and providing for parents to obtain credit freezes on behalf of their minor children to protect them from identity theft. Prior to state government, Zoeller spent ten years as an executive assistant to Dan Quayle—first in Senator Quayle's U.S. Senate office, and then in the Office of the Vice President of the United States. He also served in other government capacities and was in private practice for 10 years before joining the Attorney General's Office in 2001, serving as Chief Deputy until 2008. Having studied as an undergraduate at Purdue University and Indiana University, Greg holds "dual citizenship" as both a Boilermaker and an IU Hoosier. He earned his law degree from the Indiana University School of Law at Bloomington in 1982. Greg and his wife Kerrie have three children and live in Indianapolis.

#### Panel: State Supreme Court Chief Justices and Judges

#### Chief Justice Shirley S. Abrahamson

Chief Justice Shirley S. Abrahamson was appointed to the court in 1976. She was elected to a ten-year term in 1979, 1989, 1999, and 2009. She has served as chief justice since 1996. Before her appointment, she practiced law in Madison for 14 years, taught on the faculty of the University of Wisconsin Law School and lectured at Marquette University Law School. Abrahamson is a past president of the Conference of Chief Justices, a past chair of the board of directors of the National Center for State Courts, and is presently on the council of the American Law Institute, the board of directors of the Institute of Judicial Administration at New York University School of Law, the National Board of Academic Advisors of the William H. Rehnquist Center on the Constitutional Structures of Government, and the advisory board of the National Institute of Corrections Evidence-Based Decision Making Project. She was chair of the National Institute of Justice National Commission on the Future of DNA Evidence and was on the National Academy of Sciences Committee on Science, Technology and Law. She is featured in Great American Judges: An Encyclopedia (John R. Vile ed. 2003) and listed in The Lawdragon 500 Leading Lawyers in America (2005, 2011) and The Lawdragon 500 Leading Judges in America (2006). She earned an

A.B. magna cum laude from New York University, a J.D. with high distinction from Indiana University Law School, and an S.J.D. in American legal history from the University of Wisconsin Law School. She holds numerous awards, including 15 honorary doctor of laws degrees.

#### Justice Jess H. Dickinson

Presiding Justice Jess H. Dickinson received his B.S. from Mississippi State University in 1979, and his J.D. cum laude in 1982 from the University of Mississippi School of Law, where he served on the editorial board of the Mississippi Law Journal. Dickinson practiced law for one year in Jackson, and 20 years in Gulfport. While a practicing attorney, he served two terms on both the Ethics Committee and the Professionalism Committee of the Mississippi Bar. He served for a year as a circuit court judge in Forrest and Perry counties, by special appointment of the Mississippi Supreme Court. In January of 2004 he began his first term as an Associate Justice of the Mississippi Supreme Court. In 2012, he was re-elected, without opposition, to a second, eight-year term. In January, 2012, he became a Presiding Justice of that Court. Dickinson has twice been awarded the Chief Justice Award, first in 2004, and again in 2010. For the past ten years, he has served as the Court's liaison to legal services providers. He is a Fellow of the Mississippi Bar Foundation, and a founding member of the Mississippi Access to Justice Commission. In 2009, the Mississippi Volunteer Lawyers Project awarded Dickinson its Pro Bono Pioneer Award. In 2010, the Capitol Bar Association awarded him its Judicial Innovation Award. He has served on the adjunct faculty of William Carey University and Mississippi College School of Law, where three times he was elected by the law students as the law school's Adjunct Professor of the Year. Dickinson speaks extensively on the importance of providing the poor equal access to our judicial system.

#### **Chief Justice Ronald Castille**

In January 2008, Chief Justice Castille became the 55th chief justice of Pennsylvania, having been elected to serve as a Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in 1994. He was retained for a 10-year term in 2003 and again in 2013. He is a member of the U.S. Conference of Chief Justices and served on its board of directors; is an elected member of the American Law Institute; and was a commissioner on the U.S. President's Commission on Model State Drug Laws, as well as a member of the board of directors of the National Alliance for Model State Drug Laws. He also served on the Pennsylvania Advisory Committee for the United States Commission on Civil Rights. Prior to serving on the Supreme Court, Castille practiced law with Reed Smith Shaw & McClay. He was the district attorney of Philadelphia

from 1986-1991 and served as vice-president and legislative chair of the National District Attorneys' Association and the legislative chair of the Pennsylvania District Attorneys' Association. Recognized by many professional, civic, and veterans' organizations for his leadership and service, he was the recipient of the Philadelphia Bar Association's William J. Brennan Distinguished Jurist Award, Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network (PLAN) Excellence Award (2011 and 2013), Pennsylvania Bar Association Judge of the Year Award, National District Attorneys' Association President's Award for Outstanding Service, National DAV Outstanding Veteran of the Year, as well as the Pennsylvania DAV Outstanding Veteran of the Year. Castille was a Commissioned Officer (1966) in the United States Marine Corps and was medically retired (1968) from injuries received in combat action in the Republic of Vietnam. He was awarded the Bronze Star with Combat "V" for bravery and two Purple Heart Medals. He is a graduate of Auburn University and earned his J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law in 1971.

#### Chief Justice Ralph D. Gants

Chief Justice Ralph D. Gants was appointed as an associate justice of the Superior Court in 1997 by Governor William Weld. Governor Deval Patrick appointed him to the Supreme Judicial Court in January 2009 as an associate jJustice. In 2014, he was appointed the thirty-seventh chief justice by Governor Patrick and was sworn in on July 28. Gants has served as co-chair of the Massachusetts Access to Justice Commission since 2010, and has served as the Justice member of the Supreme Judicial Court's Standing Committee on Pro Bono Legal Services since 2011. He chaired the Standing Committee that revised the Model Jury Instructions on Homicide in 2013. Gants received his B.A. from Harvard College in 1976, graduating summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa. The following year he completed a Diploma in Criminology at Cambridge University in England. In 1980, he earned a J.D. degree, magna cum laude, from Harvard Law School where he was note editor of the Harvard Law Review. After graduation from law school, he served as law clerk to United States District Court Judge Eugene H. Nickerson. From 1981 to 1983, he was special assistant to Judge William H. Webster, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. In 1983, he was appointed assistant U.S. attorney for the District of Massachusetts, serving as chief of the Public Corruption Division from 1988 to 1991. In 1991, he joined the Boston law firm formerly known as Palmer & Dodge LLP, becoming a partner in 1994.

#### **Chief Justice Michael Heavican**

On October 1, 2006, Michael Heavican took office as chief justice of the Nebraska Supreme Court. Prior to joining the Nebraska Supreme Court,

Heavican was a deputy Lancaster County attorney from 1975 to 1981, and Lancaster County attorney from 1981 to 1990. He joined the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Nebraska in March 1991. During his employment with the U.S. Attorney's Office, he served as acting first assistant U.S. attorney, criminal chief, and acting U.S. attorney. He was appointed U.S. attorney for the District of Nebraska on September 21, 2001, by President George W. Bush. While U.S. attorney, he served as a member of the Attorney General's Advisory Committee and as chair of the Controlled Substances Subcommittee of the Attorney General's Advisory Committee. Heavican recently served as president of the Conference of Chief Justices and chair of the board of directors of the National Center for State Courts. In addition, in 2011 Chief Justice John Roberts of the United States Supreme Court appointed him to serve as a member of the Committee on Federal-State Jurisdiction of the Judicial Conference of the United States, Heavican received his B.A. from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in 1969, and his J.D. from the University of Nebraska College of Law in 1974.

#### **Chief Justice Nathan Hecht**

Nathan Hecht is the 27th Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Texas. He was first elected to the Court in 1988 as a justice and was re-elected four times. He was appointed chief justice by Governor Rick Perry on October 1, 2013. He is the senior Texas appellate judge in active service. Throughout his service on the Court, Hecht has overseen revisions to the rules of administration, practice, and procedure in Texas courts, and was appointed by the Chief Justice of the United States to the federal Advisory Committee on Civil Rules. Since 2010, Hecht has been responsible for the Court's efforts to assure that Texans living below the poverty level have access to basic civil legal services. He was appointed to the district court in 1981 and was elected to the court of appeals in 1986. Before taking the bench, he was a partner in the Locke firm in Dallas. Hecht holds a B.A. with honors in philosophy from Yale University, and a J.D. cum laude from the SMU School of Law, where he was a Hatton W. Sumners Scholar. He served as a law clerk to Judge Roger Robb on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. He also served in the U.S. Navy Reserve Judge Advocate General Corps.

#### Chief Judge Jonathan Lippman

Chief Judge Jonathan Lippman was appointed in February 2009 to serve as the chief judge of the State of New York and chief judge of the Court of Appeals. He has championed equal access to justice issues and taken an active leadership role in identifying permanent funding streams for civil legal services, strengthening the state's indigent criminal defense system, and

creating Human Trafficking Courts among many other areas. Recently, he made New York the first state in the country to require 50 hours of law-related pro bono work prior to bar admission and established the Pro Bono Scholars program to help alleviate the crisis in civil legal services and accelerate bar admission. He previously was the presiding justice of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, First Department. Prior to that, he served as the chief administrative judge of all New York State Courts. Lippman is a member of the board of directors of the State Justice Institute, chair of the American Bar Association's Board of Elections, a member of the American Law Institute, a former member of the board of directors of the Conference of Chief Judges, a former president of the Conference of State Court Administrators and vice-chair of the Board of the National Center for State Courts. He has received many awards and honors, including the 2008 William H. Rehnquist Award of the National Center for State Courts and the Cyrus R. Vance Tribute of the Fund for Modern Courts. In 2013, the American Lawyer named Chief Judge Lippman one of its Top 50 Innovators in Big Law in the Last 50 Years. He received his B.A. from New York University and his J.D. from New York University School of Law.

#### Senior Justice Petra Jimenez Maes

Petra Jimenez Maes was elected to the New Mexico Supreme Court in November 1998. She has been designated by her colleagues to serve as chief justice twice. While other Latino/Hispanic men have served as chief justice, she ushered in a new era as the first Hispanic woman chief justice of the New Mexico Supreme Court. She is currently the senior justice. Maes' efforts to improve the justice system include currently serving as the supreme court liaison on the New Mexico Commission on Access to Justice; the Children's Court Improvement Commission, which is a comprehensive effort to assess and improve judicial proceedings related to child abuse and neglect, foster care, and adoption; and on JIFFY, the New Mexico Supreme Court Committee that oversees automation for the entire judiciary. She was in private practice in Albuquerque until 1975 when she went to work for Northern New Mexico Legal Services. She was appointed to the First Judicial District Court in 1981 where she served for seventeen years. Her many awards and recognitions include the 2012 Spirit of Excellence Award from the American Bar Association's Commission for Racial and Ethnic Diversity, recognizing her efforts to promote racial and ethnic diversity in the legal profession. Maes served on the National Review Board of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. She received a B.A. from the University of New Mexico and a J.D. from UNM Law School.

#### **Chief Justice Mark Recktenwald**

Mark E. Recktenwald was sworn in as chief justice of the Hawaii Supreme Court on September 14, 2010. He joined the Hawaii Supreme Court as an associate justice on May 11, 2009, and previously served as chief judge of the Intermediate Court of Appeals beginning in April 2007. Prior to his appointment to the Intermediate Court of Appeals, Recktenwald served as the director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, as an assistant U.S. attorney for the District of Hawaii, and as an attorney in private practice. He received his undergraduate degree from Harvard University and his J.D. from the University of Chicago.

#### Chief Judge Diane Wood

Diane Wood is the chief judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit and a senior lecturer in Law at the University of Chicago Law School. After law school, she clerked for Judge Irving L. Goldberg on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit (1975-76), and for Justice Harry A. Blackmun of the U.S. Supreme Court (1976-77). She then spent a brief period at the Office of the Legal Adviser in the U.S. Department of State. In 1980, she began her career as a legal academic at Georgetown University Law Center. She moved to the University of Chicago Law School in 1981, serving as a full-time professor until 1995 and as associate dean from 1989 through 1992. In 1990, she was named to the Harold J. and Marion F. Green Professorship in International Legal Studies, becoming the first woman to hold a named chair at the school. From 1993 until she was appointed to the Seventh Circuit in 1995, she served as deputy assistant attorney general in the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice. Wood is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences and is on the Council of the American Law Institute. She became chief judge on October 1, 2013. Wood attended the University of Texas at Austin, earning her B.A. with highest honors, and her J.D. as a member of the Order of the Coif.

## Panel: Law Schools and Access to Justice

#### Ken Gormley

Ken Gormley is dean and professor at Duquesne University School of Law in Pittsburgh where the courses he teaches include constitutional law, civil rights litigation, and state constitutional law. He was appointed interim dean in 2008 and became dean of the Law School in 2010. He joined the faculty in 1994 after teaching at the University of Pittsburgh School of Law and engaging in private practice. Following law school, Gormley was senior law

clerk to Honorable Donald E. Ziegler in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania. Gormley also served as a special clerk to Justice Ralph J. Cappy of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court (1990-91), and served as executive director of the Pennsylvania Reapportionment Commission (1991-92). In 1997, he published Archibald Cox: Conscience of a Nation (Perseus Books 1997), and was awarded the 1999 Bruce K. Gould Book Award for an outstanding publication relating to the law. In 2010, Gormley published The Death of American Virtue: Clinton vs. Starr (Crown), a New York Times bestseller. The Death of American Virtue received a 2011 Silver-Gavel Award from the American Bar Association. Gormley formerly served as president of the Allegheny County Bar Association. He serves on numerous boards while remaining of-counsel to Schnader, Harrison, Segal & Lewis. From 1998-2001, Gormley served as Mayor of Forest Hills, Pennsylvania, for a 4-year term. Gormley earned his B.A. from the University of Pittsburgh, summa cum laude, and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He received his J.D. from Harvard Law School, serving as a teaching assistant to Professor Archibald Cox in constitutional law.

#### **David Levi**

David Levi became dean of Duke Law School in July 2007. Prior to his appointment, he was the Chief United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California. He was appointed U.S. attorney by President Ronald Reagan in 1986 and a United States district judge by President George H. W. Bush in 1990. Levi clerked for Judge Ben C. Duniway of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and for Justice Lewis F. Powell, Jr., of the U.S. Supreme Court. Levi has served as a member and chair of two Judicial Conference committees, the Civil Rules Advisory Committee and the Standing Committee on the Rules of Practice and Procedure, by appointment of the Chief Justice. He is a member of the Council of the American Law Institute (ALI), was an advisor to the ALI's Federal Judicial Code Revision and Aggregate Litigation projects. A past president of the Ninth Circuit District Judges Association, Levi is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He served on the board of directors of Equal Justice Works and in 2014 was appointed chair of the American Bar Association's Standing Committee on the American Judicial System. Levi earned his A.B. in history and literature, magna cum laude, from Harvard College. He graduated Order of the Coif in 1980 from Stanford Law School, where he was president of the Stanford Law Review.

#### Martha Minow

Martha Minow is the Morgan and Helen Chu Dean and Professor of Law at Harvard Law School where she has taught since 1981. An expert in human

rights with a focus on members of racial and religious minorities and women, children, and persons with disabilities, her scholarship also has addressed private military contractors, management of mass torts, transitional justice, and law, culture, and social change. She has published over 150 articles and her books include In Brown's Wake: Legacies of America's Educational Landmark (2010); Partners, Not Rivals, Privatization and the Public Good (2002); and Between Vengeance and Forgiveness: Facing History After Genocide and Mass Violence (1998); she is co-editor of law school casebooks on civil procedure, and on gender and the law. A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Michigan and the Harvard Graduate School of Education, Minow received her J.D. from Yale Law School before serving as a law clerk to Judge David Bazelon and Justice Thurgood Marshall. A member of the Academy of Arts & Sciences and the American Philosophical Society, her awards include the Sacks-Freund Teaching Award; the Holocaust Center Award; the Radcliffe Graduate Society Medal; Trinity College History Society Gold Medal; and seven honorary doctorates.

#### Blake D. Morant

Blake D. Morant is the dean of The George Washington University Law School and Robert Kramer Research Professor of Law. Prior to these appointments, he was dean of the Wake Forest University School of Law. He has served in numerous leadership positions in the American Association of Law Schools and the American Bar Association. He has taught at the law schools at American University, University of Toledo, University of Michigan, University of Alabama, and, most recently, Washington & Lee. He served in the Army's Judge Advocate General Corps, as a senior associate with a Washington, D.C. law firm, and as an assistant general counsel for the Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority. He has published extensively in several areas including, contract theory, media law, and administrative law. Morant was elected to serve as president-elect of the Association of American Law Schools for 2014 and president in 2015. He has served in numerous leadership positions for the American Bar Association (ABA), including as vice chair of the ABA Diversity Committee and as a site inspection team member for ABA law school accreditation. He was appointed to the Federal Judicial Center Foundation Board and to task force to study gender bias in the Virginia courts. Morant was named the John R. Kramer Outstanding Law Dean by Equal Justice Works and twice recognized by National Jurist magazine as one of the most influential people in legal education. He received five awards for outstanding teaching at the University of Toledo College of Law. He also received the Chief Justice John Marshall Lifetime Achievement Award and an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Pepperdine University, and was the first

American to deliver the commemorative Thomas More lecture at St. Dunstan's Church, in Canterbury, England. Morant earned a B.A. with high distinction and Phi Beta Kappa honors and a J.D., both from the University of Virginia.

#### **Robert Post**

Robert Post is dean and Sol & Lillian Goldman Professor of Law at Yale Law School. Before coming to Yale, he taught at the University of California at Berkeley School of Law. Post's subject areas are constitutional law, First Amendment, legal history, and equal protection. He has written and edited numerous books, including the forthcoming Citizens Divided: A Constitutional Theory of Campaign Finance Reform (Spring 2014). Other books include, Democracy, Expertise, Academic Freedom: A First Amendment Jurisprudence for the Modern State (2012); For the Common Good: Principles of American Academic Freedom (with Matthew M. Finkin, 2009); Prejudicial Appearances: The Logic of American Antidiscrimination Law with K. Anthony Appiah, Judith Butler, Thomas C. Grey & Reva Siegel, 2001); and Constitutional Domains: Democracy, Community, Management (1995). He publishes regularly in legal journals and other publications; recent articles and chapters include "Theorizing Disagreement: Reconceiving the Relationship Between Law and Politics" (California Law Review, 2010); "Constructing the European Polity: ERTA and the Open Skies Judgments" in The Past and Future of EU Law: The Classics of EU Law Revisited on the 50th Anniversary of the Rome Treaty (Miguel Poiares Maduro & Loïc Azuolai eds., 2010); "and "Subsidized Speech" (Yale Law Journal, 1996). He is a member of the American Philosophical Society and the American Law Institute and a fellow of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences. He is a former member of the board of directors of the American Constitution Society. Post holds a Ph.D. from Harvard, a J.D. from Yale University and a B.A. from Harvard.

#### Margaret Raymond

Margaret Raymond was named dean of University of Wisconsin Law School in July 2011. As dean, she serves as the chief academic and executive officer of the school, with responsibility for faculty and staff development, personnel oversight, fundraising, budget planning and management, curriculum and student academic affairs. She served as a law clerk to the late Justice Thurgood Marshall of the U.S. Supreme Court and the late Judge James L. Oakes of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. Following her clerkships, she practiced as a commercial litigator and a criminal defense lawyer. She was a member of the faculty at the University of lowa from 1995-2011, where she was named the William G. Hammond Professor of Law and was honored with the law school's Collegiate Teaching Award. While at lowa, she held a number of campus leadership roles, including president of the

University Faculty Senate. Raymond's scholarship focuses on constitutional criminal procedure, substantive criminal law, and the professional responsibility of lawyers. She is the author of a Professional Responsibility casebook, *The Law and Ethics of Law Practice*. Raymond received a B.A. from Carleton College and earned her J.D. at Columbia University School of Law, where she was Editor-in-Chief of the Columbia Law Review.

#### Michael Schill

Michael H. Schill is the dean and Harry N. Wyatt Professor of Law at the University of Chicago Law School. Prior to joining the University of Chicago, Schill served as the dean of the University of California, Los Angeles School of Law. His other faculty appointments include tenured positions as professor of Law and Urban Planning at New York University and professor of Law and Real Estate at the University of Pennsylvania. Schill is a nationally recognized expert in property, real estate and housing law and policy. He is the author or co-author of three books and over 40 scholarly articles. His work includes studies of the determinants of value in condominium and cooperative housing, the impacts of housing programs on property values, the enforcement of Fair Housing laws, mortgage securitization and the derequlation of housing markets. His casebook, *Property*, co-authored with James Krier and Greg Alexander, is the best-selling casebook used in American law schools. In 2004, he founded the Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy at New York University. Schill serves on several nonprofit boards and civic bodies including Argonne National Laboratory, ITHAKA, the Chicago Innovation Exchange, and the Housing Preservation Compact of Chicago. Before beginning his career as a professor, Schill served as law clerk to the Honorable Marvin Katz of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and was a real estate attorney at the law firm of Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver and Jacobson. He graduated in 1980 with an A.B. in Public Policy from Princeton University and a J.D. from the Yale Law School.

## Deanell R. Tacha

Deanell Tacha is the Duane and Kelly Roberts Dean and Professor of Law, Pepperdine School of Law and a graduate of University of Kansas, B.A., and the University of Michigan School of Law, J.D. She served as Chief Judge (2001-2007) and has been a Circuit Judge since 1986 in the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit. Dean Tacha has been active in the American Inns of Court movement as a spokesperson for enhanced ethics, professionalism, and civility in the legal profession, and served as president for the national Board of Trustees of the American Inns of Court (2004-2008). She was named recipient of the Devitt Award in 2007 and the

John Marshall Award in 2008.

#### William Treanor

William M. Treanor has been dean of Georgetown University Law Center since 2010. In 2014, he was named one of the "most influential people in legal education" by the National Jurist for the second consecutive year. In 2012, he was recognized by the National Law Journal as a "Champion," and received the David Stoner Uncommon Counselor Award from the David Nee Foundation, which is given "to a member or members of the legal profession who exhibit extraordinary compassion and concern for their co-workers, family, friends, and community." Since his arrival at Georgetown, the Law Center has launched an intensive boot camp for upper-class students in finance and accounting, initiated a series of externship classes on topics such as strategic thinking, networking and collaboration, and created specialized curricular pathways, including pathways in law and business and in law and government. Before coming to Georgetown, Treanor had been dean and Paul Fuller Professor of Law at Fordham Law School. He has published widely, with a focus on constitutional law and legal history, and he is one of the ten most cited legal historians. In addition to his career in academia, Treanor has held a variety of government positions. From 1998-2001, he was deputy assistant attorney general in the Office of Legal Counsel, U.S. Department of Justice. From 1987-1990, he was associate counsel, Office of Independent Counsel, during the Iran/Contra investigation, and in 1990 he served as a special assistant U.S. attorney in the District of Columbia United States Attorney's Office.

#### Peter Keisler

Peter Keisler is the Co-Chair of the Supreme Court and Appellate practice at Sidley Austin LLP. He served as Assistant Attorney General of the Civil Division and then as Acting Attorney General in the Department of Justice during the administration of President George W. Bush, and as Associate Counsel to the President in the administration of President Reagan. He was a law clerk for Justice Anthony Kennedy and Judge Robert Bork, and received his undergraduate and law degrees from Yale.

# Reception

# **Douglas Eakeley**

Douglas Eakeley served as chairman of the Legal Services Corporation board of directors from 1993 until 2003. He is a partner in the law firm of Lowenstein Sandler LLP. A former Rhodes Scholar and First Attorney General of the State of New Jersey, Eakeley is also the Alan V. Lowenstein

Professor of Corporate and Business Law at Rutgers
University School of Law—Newark. Eakeley has been involved with legal services programs since law school,

where he participated in the Yale-New Haven Legal Services Clinic. He later served on the boards of The Legal Aid Society and the Community Law Offices of East Harlem, became a trustee of the Essex-Newark Legal Services Project, and thereafter chaired Legal Services of New Jersey, from 1983 to 1993. He currently serves as a trustee of LSNJ as well as chairman of the board of trustees of the New Jersey Institute of Social Justice. Eakeley has been recognized as a "bet-the-company" litigator for his work in "make or break" litigation by The Best Lawyers in America, and consistently acknowledged in the area of commercial litigation by Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business. He is the recipient of numerous honors and awards for his pro bono contributions, including being honored by the ABA's Litigation Section, California Rural Legal Assistance, the American Jewish Committee, and Legal Services of New Jersey. He graduated, summa cum laude, with highest honors in economics, from Yale University. He earned an M.A. and B.A. in jurisprudence at Oxford University, and his J.D. from Yale Law School.

#### **Harold Koh**

Harold Hongiu Koh is Sterling Professor of International Law at Yale University, where he has taught since 1985 and served as dean from 2004-09. He served as legal adviser to the State Department under Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton from 2009-13, for which he received the Secretary of State's Distinguished Service Award. From 1998-2001, he served as assistant secretary of state for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor under Secretary Madeleine Albright. The author or co-author of eight books and more than 200 articles, he has received fourteen honorary doctorates, three law school medals, and more than 30 awards for his work in international human rights, including from the ABA International Law Section and Columbia Law School for his lifetime achievements in international law. He is a member of the Council of the American Law Institute, a counselor of the American Society of International Law, a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the American Philosophical Society, on the board of the American Arbitration Association and the editorial board of Foundation Press, and served as an honorary fellow of All Souls and Balliol College, Oxford, as well as an Overseer of Harvard University. A graduate of Harvard College and Law School, Koh received his M.A. from Magdalen College, Oxford where he was a Marshall Scholar, and is now an honorary fellow, followed by clerkships for Judge Malcolm Wilkey of the D.C. Circuit, and Justice Harry Blackmun of the U.S. Supreme Court.

#### United States Senator Ben Cardin

As the former chairman of the Maryland Legal Services Corporation, U.S. Senator Ben Cardin is committed to expanding access to legal services for low-income Marylanders. He has introduced and supported numerous bills to support legal aid for low-income Americans, including legislation creating the John R. Justice Program that provides loan repayment for legal aid attorneys. Previously a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee—when he first arrived in the U.S. Senate in 2007—Senator Cardin chaired hearings on ways to provide better representation to low-income individuals. He is committed to closing the justice gap that allows for one Legal Aid attorney to serve over 6,800 people while there is one private attorney for every 525 people in the nation. Senator Cardin joined with Senator Tom Harkin and the late Senator Ted Kennedy to introduce the Civil Access to Justice Act, which would increase funding for LSC and permanently lift many of the onerous restrictions on LSC-funded attorneys. Senator Cardin is the namesake for University of Maryland School of Law's "Cardin Requirement," which requires every full-time, first-year law student at his alma mater to provide pro bono legal assistance as a requirement of graduation. Sen. Cardin strongly supports enhancements to the Interest on Lawyer Trust Accounts (IOLTA) program, as well as mandatory reporting of pro bono hours donated by attorneys as part of their professional responsibility as lawyers to help provide equal access to justice to all individuals regardless of their income.

# W. Neil Eggleston

Neil Eggleston currently serves as Counsel to the President, a position he was appointed to in May of this year. As the President's chief lawyer, Mr. Eggleston advises the President on all legal and Constitutional issues across a broad spectrum of domestic and foreign policy matters. He provides strategic advice on significant litigation matters, including Supreme Court cases. Mr. Eggleston also manages the White House and the Executive Branch's defense of congressional and other investigations and is responsible for the judicial selection and nomination process. Prior to becoming Counsel to the President, Neil was a litigation partner at Kirkland & Ellis from 2012-2014 and a partner at Debevoise & Plimpton from 2005-2012. Mr Eggleston started his career as an Assistant US Attorney and chief appellate attorney for the Southern District of New York. From 1987 until 1988, Mr. Eggleston served as deputy chief counsel for the U.S. House of Representatives Select Committee to Investigate Covert Arms Transactions with Iran, which investigated the Iran-Contra Affair. From 1993 until 1994, Mr. Eggleston served in the White House as an Associate Counsel. Mr. Eggleston's work in the Clinton administration took place during congressional investigations into Clinton's Whitewater real estate transactions. Mr

Eggleston is a native of West Lafayette, Indiana. He earned a bachelor's degree from Duke University and a law degree from Northwestern University. Mr. Eggleston lives in Chevy Chase, Maryland with his spouse Penda Hair, who co-founded and codirects the civil rights organization Advancement Project.

#### **Harriett Miers**

Harriet Miers is a partner at Locke Lord Litigation and a former managing partner of Locke Liddell & Sapp. She served in the administration of President George W. Bush from 2001-2007 as staff secretary, deputy chief of staff, and counsel to the President. Prior to joining the White House, Miers had a career in her commercial litigation practice, representing a broad range of clients in varied industries. After clerking for U.S. District Court Judge Joe E. Estes, Miers was the first woman hired at the Dallas firm of Locke Purnell Boren Laney & Neely. Miers became the first woman to lead the firm, when she was elected firm president in 1996. In 1999, when Locke Purnell merged with Liddell, Sapp, Zivley, Hill & LaBoon, she became co-managing partner, a position she held until she left to join the Bush Administration. Miers also served in many leadership roles in the American Bar Association, including chair of the board of Editors of the American Bar Journal and the Texas State Delegate. Her many recognitions and awards include the Sandra Day O'Connor award from the Texas Center for Legal Ethics and Professionalism and the Robert G. Storey Award for Distinguished Achievement from the SMU Dedman School of Law. She also has received Distinguished Alumni Awards from both SMU and the SMU Dedman School of Law. In 1979, she was honored as the Outstanding Young Lawyer by the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers. Miers received the Department of Justice Edmund J. Randolph Award in January of 2007 for her "dedicated service to justice, the President, and the United States of America." She also received the Agency Seal Medal awarded by the Central Intelligence Agency, an award given by the CIA to people outside the Agency who have made significant contributions to the work of the Agency.

#### **Bob Bauer**

In Bauer's 30 years of practice, he has provided counseling and representation on matters involving regulation of political activity before the courts and administrative agencies of national party committees, candidates, political committees, individuals, federal officeholders, corporations and trade associations, and tax-exempt groups. He is the author of several books and articles including *United States Federal Election Law* (1982, 1984), *Soft Money Hard Law: A Guide to the New Campaign Finance Law* (2002) and *More Soft Money Hard Law: The Second Edition of the Guide to the New* 

Campaign Finance Law (2004). He serves on the National Advisory Board of Journal of Law and Politics. In 2000, he received the "Burton Award for Legal Achievement" for his legal writing. He teaches law at the New York University School of Law, where he is a distinguished scholar in residence and senior lecturer. In 2013, the President named him to be co-chair of the Presidential Commission on Election Administration. Bauer served as White House Counsel to President Obama, returning to private practice in June of 2011. Bauer was General Counsel to Obama for America, and is general counsel to the Democratic National Committee. He has served as co-counsel to the New Hampshire State Senate in the trial of Chief Justice David A. Brock (2000); general counsel to the Bill Bradley for President Committee (1999-2000); and counsel to the Democratic Leader in the trial of President William Jefferson Clinton (1999).

# Presentations: Rethinking Legal Aid

#### Lisa Colpoys

Lisa Colpoys is the Executive Director of the nationally-recognized nonprofit Illinois Legal Aid Online (ILAO), which uses technology to lower barriers to the law so that people can understand their legal options, make informed decisions and represent themselves in court. As ILAO's executive director, she cultivates innovation and guides product development, including five websites, two first-to-market mobile apps, an award-winning online triage and intake system, automated document systems, interactive e-learning platforms, and a video game. Before joining ILAO, Colpoys served as director of legal services at CARPLS, Chicago's legal aid hotline, and spent several years in private practice as a sole practitioner representing small businesses and individuals in a wide variety of legal matters. She was recognized as one of "40 Under 40" Illinois Attornevs to Watch and was recently named by the ABA Journal as one of "10 Women to Watch in Legal Tech." She is a fellow of the College of Law Practice Management, a member of the ABA Standing Committee on the Delivery of Legal Services, and serves on several other national, statewide and local groups focused on technology, self-represented persons and affordable legal services.

#### **Scott Cummings**

Scott Cummings is Professor of Law at the UCLA School of Law, where he teaches and writes about the legal profession, public interest law, and community economic development. He is the faculty director of the UCLA Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy. He is also co-author of the first public interest law textbook, *Public Interest Lawyering: A Contemporary* 

Perspective, and co-editor of a leading legal profession case-book. Cummings began his legal career in Los Angeles building economic opportunity in low-income communities.

In 1998, after clerking in Chicago, he was awarded a Skadden Fellowship to work in the Community Development Project at Public Counsel in Los Angeles, where he provided transactional legal assistance to nonprofit organizations and small businesses engaged in community revitalization efforts. After clerking for Judge A. Wallace Tashima on the Ninth Circuit, Cummings joined the faculty at UCLA to pursue a research agenda focused on law and social change, and access to justice. His law and social change scholarship has explored the opportunities for and challenges to mobilizing law in support of different movements. On the issue of access to justice, his research has focused on the organization and practice of public interest law and pro bono, and the role of public interest lawyers in the contemporary legal profession. Building upon this research, Cummings is currently co-principal investigator on a National Science Foundation funded study, which examines the factors causing law students to enter and persevere in public interest careers. He is also writing a book on the role of lawyers in the labor movement's challenge to low-wage work in Los Angeles.

# Deborah Rhode

Deborah Rhode is the Ernest W. McFarland Professor of Law, the director of the Center on the Legal Profession, and the director of the Program in Law and Social Entrepreneurship at Stanford University. She is the founding president of the International Association of Legal Ethics, the former president of the Association of American Law Schools, the former chair of the American Bar Association's Commission on Women in the Profession, the former founding director of Stanford's Center on Ethics, a former trustee of Yale University, and the former director of Stanford's Institute for Research on Women and Gender. She also served as senior counsel to the minority members of the Judiciary Committee, the United States House of Representatives and on presidential impeachment issues during the Clinton administration. She has received the American Bar Association's Michael Franck Award for contributions to the field of professional responsibility; the American Bar Foundation's W. M. Keck Foundation Award for distinguished scholarship on legal ethics, the American Bar Foundation's Outstanding Scholar Award, the American Bar Association's Pro Bono Publico Award for her work on expanding public service opportunities in law schools, and the White House's Champion of Change Award for a lifetime's work in increasing access to justice. She is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and vice chair of the board of Legal Momentum (formerly the NOW Legal Defense and Education Fund). She graduated Phi Beta Kappa and summa cum laude

from Yale College and received her J.D. from Yale Law School. After clerking for Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall, she joined the Stanford faculty. She is the author or coauthor of over twenty books and over 250 articles.

#### **Ronald Staudt**

Ronald W. Staudt is professor of law and director of the Center for Access to Justice & Technology at Chicago-Kent College of Law. Staudt teaches Justice and Technology Practicum and Practice & Professionalism, and he has taught Copyright Law, Intellectual Property Strategies, Internet Law, Public Interest Law & Policy, and Computer Law. The Center for Access to Justice & Technology (CAJT) is devoted to using internet resources to improve access to justice with special emphasis on building web tools to support legal services advocates, pro bono volunteers and pro se litigants. Current CAJT projects include the law school's Public Interest Certificate program; A2J Author, a collaboration with the Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction to build new computer interfaces for self-represented litigants; and the Self-Help Web Center at the Cook County Courthouse in the Daley Center, where law student volunteers help self-represented litigants to use technology tools developed at CAJT. Staudt has written numerous articles and books on technology and law, including the report co-authored by Charles L. Owen, Distinguished Professor of Design at IIT's Institute of Design, and Edward B. Pedwell, titled: Access to Justice: Meeting the Needs of Self-Represented Litigants. Staudt is a fellow, board member and president (2012-14) of the College of Law Practice Management. He has served on many boards and committees that promote technology solutions to access to justice problems, including the ABA Legal Access Job Corps Task Force (2013-14), and currently the ABA Commission on the Future of Legal Services.

#### **David Wilkins**

Professor Wilkins is the Lester Kissel Professor of Law, vice dean for Global Initiatives on the Legal Profession, and faculty director of the Program on the Legal Profession and the Center for Lawyers and the Professional Services Industry at Harvard Law School. He is also a senior research fellow of the American Bar Foundation and a member of the Faculty Committee of the Harvard University Edmond J. Safra Foundation Center for Ethics. He is a member of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences and was recently elected to the Royal Academy of Doctors. His major research interests include the legal profession, legal ethics, diversity and globalization.

# Robert Grey, Jr.

Robert Grey, Jr. was nominated to serve on the board of directors of the Legal Services Corporation by President Obama on August 6, 2009, and

was confirmed by the U.S. Senate on March 19, 2010. Grev served as president of the American Bar Association from 2004-2005 and chair of the ABA House of Delegates from 1998 to 2000. During his tenure as ABA president, he instituted the American Jury Initiative to educate the public on the importance of service, led programs to increase diversity in the legal profession, and fought to safeguard the profession's independence. He started his own law firm in 1978. In 1982, he was appointed by Governor Charles S. Robb to the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board. He was appointed chair in 1983 and served until 1985. Grey joined Hunton & Williams in 2002, and is also affiliated with the McCammon Mediation Group Ltd. His practice focuses on government relations and administrative matters before state and federal agencies. He serves as the vice chair of the Hunton & Williams Community Service Committee. Grey has also chaired the ABA Committee on Research about the Future of the Legal Profession (2000-02), the Commission on Opportunities for Minorities in the Profession (1992-95) and the Rule of Law Initiative. He received his B.S. from the Virginia Commonwealth University in 1973 and his J.D. from Washington and Lee University in 1976.

#### Valerie Jarrett

Valerie B. Jarrett is a Senior Advisor to President Barack Obama. She oversees the Offices of Public Engagement and Intergovernmental Affairs and chairs the White House Council on Women and Girls. Prior to joining the Obama Administration, she was the Chief Executive Officer of The Habitat Company. She also served as Co-Chair of the Obama-Biden Presidential Transition Team, and Senior Advisor to Obama's presidential campaign. Ms. Jarrett has held positions in both the public and private sector, including the Chairman of the Chicago Transit Board, the Commissioner of Planning and Development for the City of Chicago, and Deputy Chief of Staff for Mayor Richard M. Daley. She also practiced law with two private law firms. Jarrett also served as a director of corporate and not for profit boards, including Chairman of the Board of the Chicago Stock Exchange, Director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, and Chairman of the University of Chicago Medical Center Board of Trustees. Jarrett received her B.A. from Stanford University in 1978 and her J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School in 1981.

# Panel: The Importance of Access to Justice to American Business

#### Kenneth C. Frazier

Kenneth Frazier is chairman of the board and chief executive officer of

Merck & Co., Inc. Previously, he served as president of Merck with responsibility for the company's three major divisions; Global Human Health, Merck Manufacturing Division, and Merck Research Laboratories. Frazier has held a broad range of senior management positions since joining Merck in 1992 as vice president, general counsel and secretary of the Astra Merck Group. He was elected vice president of Public Affairs in 1994, and, in 1997, assumed the additional responsibilities of assistant general counsel, corporate staff. He was promoted to vice president and deputy general counsel in January 1999. In December 1999, he became senior vice president and general counsel. In November 2006, Frazier was promoted to executive vice president and general counsel. He served as executive vice president and president, Global Human Health, from 2007 to May 2010, when he became Merck president. He became CEO and member of the board of directors January 1, 2011, and became chairman of the board on December 1, 2011. Prior to joining Merck, Frazier was a partner with the Philadelphia law firm of Drinker Biddle & Reath. He sits on the boards of PhRMA. Weill Cornell Medical College and Graduate School of Medical Sciences, Exxon Mobil Corporation, The Pennsylvania State University and Cornerstone Christian Academy in Philadelphia, PA. He also is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the President's Export Council, The Business Council, the Council of the American Law Institute and the American Bar Association. Ken received his B.A. from The Pennsylvania State University and holds a J.D. from Harvard Law School.

#### **Shari Redstone**

Shari Redstone is vice chair of the board of directors of Viacom Inc. and vice chair of the board of directors of CBS Corporation. Since 2000, she has been president of National Amusements, the parent company of Viacom and CBS. She is co-founder and managing partner of Advancit Capital, a venture capital firm launched in 2011 which focuses on early stage investments in media, entertainment and technology. In addition, she is co-chairman of MovieTickets.com. Inc. and is a member of the board of directors and executive committee for the National Theatre Owners Association. She practiced corporate law, estate planning and criminal law in the Boston area before joining National Amusements. With a deep commitment to the community, she is actively involved in a variety of charitable, civic, and educational organizations. She is currently a member of the board of directors at Combined Jewish Philanthropies and the John F. Kennedy Library Foundation and sits on the board of trustees at Dana Farber Cancer Institute. She served on the board of directors of The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University from 2003-2012. Most recently, she joined the board and executive committee of "Our Time", a mass-membership organization

that stands for the economic interests and political inclusion of young Americans aged 18-30. She is also on the local advisory board and executive committee for BUILD, a non-profit organization which uses entrepreneurship to propel low income youth through high school and into college. Redstone earned a B.S. from Tufts University and a J.D. and a Masters in Tax Law from Boston University.

#### **David Rubenstein**

David Rubenstein is a co-founder and co-CEO of The Carlyle Group, one of the world's largest private equity firms. From 1973-75, Rubenstein practiced law in New York with Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison. From 1975-76 he served as chief counsel to the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments. From 1977-1981, he was deputy assistant to the President for Domestic Policy. Rubenstein also practiced law in Washington with Shaw, Pittman, Potts & Trowbridge (now Pillsbury, Winthrop, Shaw Pittman). He is chairman of the boards of trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and Duke University, a regent of the Smithsonian Institution, co-chairman of the Brookings Institution, vice-chairman Council on Foreign Relations and president of the Economic Club of Washington. He serves on the board of directors or trustees of Johns Hopkins University, University of Chicago, the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, Johns Hopkins Medicine, and the Institute for Advanced Study, the National Museum of American History of the Smithsonian Institution and the National Museum of Natural History of the Smithsonian Institution. He is a member of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences, the Business Council, Visiting Committee of the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard, the Harvard Business School Board of Dean's Advisors, the Woodrow Wilson School Advisory Council at Princeton, the board of trustees of the Young Global Leaders Foundation, Advisory Board of School of Economics and Management Tsinghua University (Chairman), the Madison Council of the Library of Congress, and the International Business Council of the World Economic Forum. He is a 1970 magna cum laude graduate of Duke, where he was elected Phi Beta Kappa, and a 1973 graduateof The University of Chicago Law School, where he was an editor of the Law Review.

#### Arne M. Sorenson

Arne Sorenson is president and chief executive officer of Marriott International, Inc., a leading global lodging company with more than 4,000 lodging properties in more than 70 countries and territories and reported revenues of more than \$13 billion in fiscal year 2013. Marriott International operates and franchises hotels and licenses vacation ownership resorts under 18

brands. Previously, Sorenson was Marriott's president and chief operating officer. Earlier, he served as executive vice president, chief financial officer, and president of Continental European Lodging. Sorenson was elected to Marriott International's board of directors in 2011. He also serves on the board of directors for Brand USA and Luther College and is a member of the President's Export Council. Sorenson is a graduate of the University of Minnesota Law School and Luther College in Decorah, Iowa.

# Panel: The Role of Corporate Counsel in Expanding Access to Justice

#### **Darryl Bradford**

Darryl Bradford is the primary legal advisor to Exelon's senior management and oversees the company's legal and corporate governance departments. Prior to his current appointment, Bradford served as senior vice president Energy and Regulatory Policy and General Counsel for Commonwealth Edison, a subsidiary of Exelon. Before joining ComEd, Bradford was a senior partner at the Chicago office of Jenner & Block, where he practiced for more than 20 years and served on the firm's Management Committee, as co-chair of the firm's Litigation Committee, and co-chair of the telecommunications practice. Bradford clerked for the Honorable Bernard M. Decker of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. He is admitted to practice law in the State of Illinois, the United States Supreme Court, and several United States Courts of Appeals and federal district courts. Bradford serves on the board of directors of Energy Insurance Mutual. He is also a trustee for the Kohl's Children Museum, the Ravinia Festival and the Constitutional Rights Foundation. He serves as chair of the Edison Electric Institute's (EEI) Subcommittee on Corporate Issues and on EEI's Legal Planning Committee. Bradford is a member of Leadership Council on Legal Diversity and the North Shore General Counsel Association, Bradford graduated from the University of Chicago Law School in 1980 where he served as an editor on the Law Review. He received his bachelor's degree, Phi Beta Kappa, from Grinnell College in Grinnell, Iowa in 1977.

#### **Mark Chandler**

Mark Chandler is Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, and Chief Compliance Officer, of Cisco, where he manages a team of 450 professionals, including legal, employee relations, ethics, investigations and brand protection teams. Previously, he was Managing Attorney for the Europe, Middle East and Africa region, based in Paris. Chandler joined Cisco in 1996 upon the acquisition of StrataCom, Inc., where he had been general counsel.

Prior to working at StrataCom he worked for six years as vice president for corporate development and general counsel of Maxtor Corporation, a manufacturer of hard disk drives. Chandler is also a member of the Dean's Advisory Council of Stanford Law School, the Board of Trustees of Belmont Hill School in Belmont, Massachusetts, the US Department of Commerce Manufacturing Council, and the Advisory Council of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington. He has previously served as member and chairman of the City of Palo Alto Planning Commission, and as a member of the Palo Alto Utilities Advisory Commission. In 2010, The National Law Journal named him one of the 40 Most Influential Lawyers of the Decade and in 2013, American Lawyer numbered him among the "Top 50 Big Law Innovators of the Last 50 Years." Chandler holds a bachelor's degree in economics, summa cum laude (1978) from Harvard College, where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and a juris doctor degree from Stanford Law School (1981).

#### **Brackett Denniston**

Brackett Denniston is senior vice president, secretary and general counsel for GE. He was named general counsel in 2004 and SVP in December 2005. He is a director of GE Capital Corporation and the GE Foundation, and a member of GE's Corporate Executive Council. He also serves as chairman of GE's Policy Compliance Review Board, the governing compliance board of the company. Denniston previously served as GE's VP and senior counsel for Litigation and Legal Policy from 1996-2004. From 1993-1996, Denniston was chief legal counsel to Governor Weld (Mass). Prior to that he was a partner, and earlier an associate, at Goodwin Procter, specializing in complex litigation, securities/white collar crime matters. From 1982-1986, Denniston was Chief of the Major Frauds Unit (US Attorney's Office), responsible for white collar crime prosecutions. He was a member of the AG's White Collar Crime Operations Committee and was awarded the DOJ's Director's Award for Superior Performance for his role overseeing numerous successful prosecutions. Denniston is a summa cum laude graduate of Kenyon College and a magna cum laude graduate of Harvard Law School, where he was an editor of the Harvard Law Review.

# Ivan K. Fong

Ivan Fong is senior vice president, legal affairs and general counsel of the 3M Company. He oversees all legal, legal policy, compliance, and government affairs matters for the company. He was recently named one of "America's 50 Outstanding General Counsel" by the *National Law Journal*, and under his leadership, 3M's law department was recently recognized by the same publication as "Twin Cities In-House Legal Department of the Year." Prior to joining

3M in October 2012, Fong served for over three years as general counsel of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Before that he was chief legal officer and secretary of Cardinal Health, Inc., where he was selected to be one of the "Twenty Most Influential General Counsel" by the National Law Journal. He was also previously senior vice president and general counsel of GE Vendor Financial Services; chief privacy leader and senior counsel, information technology of GE; and deputy associate attorney general at the U.S. Department of Justice. He has also been a partner with Covington & Burling in Washington, D.C.; an adjunct professor at the Georgetown University Law Center; and a law clerk to Justice Sandra Day O'Connor of the U.S. Supreme Court. He has received, among other honors, NAPABA's Trailblazer Award; the Justice-in-Action Award from the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc.; and the Spirit of Excellence Award from the ABA. Fong holds a B.C.L. with first class honors from Oxford University, where he was a Fulbright Scholar. He received his J.D. (with distinction) from Stanford Law School, where he was president of the Stanford Law Review, and an S.B. in chemical engineering and an S.M. in chemical engineering practice from MIT.

## Lucy Lee Helm

Lucy Helm was appointed as executive vice president, general counsel and secretary of Starbucks in May 2012. Helm leads the global Law & Corporate Affairs department. She serves as a member of Starbucks senior leadership team and supports the company's board of directors. She is a member of the board of directors of Mercy Corps, the Washington YMCA Youth & Government Program, and the advisory board of Disability Rights Advocates. Helm serves as the co-chair for the 2013-14 Campaign for Equal Justice and is an active volunteer with Parkview Services In 2014, she was a recipient of Legal Momentum's Woman of Achievement award, and was recognized by the National Law Journal as one of America's 50 Outstanding General Counsel. Prior to joining Starbucks, she was a principal at Riddell Williams P.S. in Seattle, where she was a trial lawyer specializing in commercial, insurance coverage and environmental litigation. She was also an assistant director and advocacy director at the Center for Accessible Living in Louisville, Kentucky and an instructor with the University of Louisville paralegal program. Helm received her B.A. in political science, with highest honors, from the University of Louisville and is a cum laude graduate of the Brandeis School of Law at the University of Louisville. She was recognized as a 2008 Alumnae Fellow of the University of Louisville School of Arts and Sciences and a 2010 Outstanding Alumnae of the Brandeis School of Law.

#### Max W. Laun

Max Laun is a vice president and General Counsel for Alcoa. He oversees the

day-to-day operations of Alcoa's Legal activities worldwide. Most recently he was Assistant General Counsel, Mergers and Acquisitions. Max began his career as an attorney in

Alcoa's Legal group in Pittsburgh more than 20 years ago. He has practiced law in several areas, most notably mergers and acquisitions, energy and general commercial counseling. He has served as Alcoa's lead counsel on several highly visible mergers and acquisitions, and divestitures including the Ma'aden-Alcoa Project, the disposition of Alcoa's Packaging business, and transactions in China, Russia, Latin America, Italy and elsewhere in Europe. Max was named Counsel/General Attorney in 1994, progressed to Senior Counsel in 2001 and then to Assistant General Counsel in 2009. Max graduated cum laude in 1983 with a degree in History and Russian from Rice University in Houston, Texas. He served as a Fulbright Scholar in Romania from 1983-1985 studying the history of World War I. In 1988, he graduated magna cum laude from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law. While there, he served as Articles Editor of the Law Review, and was selected for membership in the Order of the Coif and the Order of the Barristers, two national, honorary scholastic societies recognizing high distinction for scholarly accomplishments and for excelling in advocacy programs. Max serves as President of the Board of Directors of the Neighborhood Legal Services Association. He is a Trustee of the Allegheny County Bar Foundation and a member of the Advisory Board. Center for International Legal Education, University of Pittsburgh School of Law.

#### Teresa Wynn Roseborough

Before joining The Home Depot in 2011, as the executive vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary, Roseborough was MetLife's deputy general counsel. Prior to MetLife. Roseborough was a partner at Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP. Her background includes government service as deputy assistant attorney general in the Office of Legal Counsel of the Justice Department, service as a law clerk for Justice John Paul Stevens of the U.S. Supreme Court and Judge James Dickson Phillips of the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, and service in West Germany as a Department of Defense civilian. She is a public member of the Administrative Conference of the U.S. and a member of the board of directors of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights. Roseborough earned a B.A. from the University of Virginia, a master's degree in education from Boston University, and a J.D. with high honors from the University of North Carolina School of Law, where she was editor in chief of the Law Review.

#### Ronald S. Flagg

Ron Flagg was appointed vice president for legal affairs, general counsel and corporate secretary in 2013. He previously practiced commercial and

administrative litigation at Sidley Austin LLP for 31 years, 27 years as a partner. He chaired the firm's Committee on Pro Bono and Public Interest Law for more than a decade. Flagg served as president of the District of Columbia Bar in 2010-2011 and on the Bar's Board of Governors in 2007-2009. He currently chairs the board of the National Veterans Legal Services Program. He has also served as chair of the District of Columbia Bar Pro Bono Committee, chair of the Governing Board of the AARP Legal Counsel for the Elderly, as a member of the American Bar Association's House of Delegates, on LSC's Pro Bono Task Force, and as a member of the board of the Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs. Flagg graduated with honors from the University of Chicago and cum laude from Harvard Law School. He began his career as a law clerk to Judge Myron L. Gordon, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin and as attorney-advisor in the United States Department of Justice, Office of Intelligence Policy.

# **Lunch Program**

#### Abner Mivka

Judge Abner Mikva (retired) holds the distinction of having served at a high level in all three branches of the federal government. He was elected to the U.S. Congress in 1968 where he served for five terms. From there, he was appointed by President Carter to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia where he served for fifteen years, the last four as chief judge. In 1994, Mikva resigned from the bench to become White House Counsel to President William J. Clinton. Mikva received his law degree from the University of Chicago, where he graduated cum laude and was editor-inchief of the Law Review. Following graduation, he served as a law clerk to Justice Sherman Minton on the Supreme Court. He was in private practice for 18 years and, in 1956, he was elected to the first of five consecutive terms in the Illinois General Assembly. He has taught at several law schools including Georgetown University, University of Pennsylvania, Duke University, Northwestern University, and the University of Chicago. Since leaving government, he has served as a mediator and arbitrator for JAMS. He has received numerous awards including the University of Chicago Benton Medal for Distinguished Service, the American Bar Association Thurgood Marshall Award, and the University of Illinois Paul H. Douglas Ethics in Government Award. With his wife Zoe, Judge Mikva helped found the Mikva Challenge, a nonpartisan organization that engages underserved Chicago high school students in action civics and the democratic process.

#### William Hubbard

William Hubbard is president of the American Bar Association. He previously served a two-year term as chair of the ABA's House of Delegates. Hubbard is a past president of the American Bar Foundation and the American Bar Endowment. He is a member of the council of the American Law Institute. He is chairman of the board of the World Justice Project. He is a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and the American Board of Trial Advocates. He is a permanent member of the United States Fourth Circuit Judicial Conference, Hubbard has served on the board of trustees of the University of South Carolina since 1986 and served as chairman of the board from 1996-2000. In 2010, he received the university's highest recognition, the Honorary Doctor of Laws. In 2002, he was presented the Order of the Palmetto, the highest civilian award presented by a South Carolina Governor. In 2007, Hubbard received the American Inns of Court Professionalism Award for the United States Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit. Hubbard earned his J.D. from the University of South Carolina School of Law and a B.A. in History from the University of South Carolina. He is a partner in the Columbia, South Carolina office of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP.

# Panel: The Impact of Pro Bono Lawyers on the Justice Gap

#### Ann S. Bergen

Ann Stirling Bergen is the principal of The Law Offices of Ann S. Bergen in Willoughby, Ohio. She founded the firm in 1998 and represents clients in a variety of civil and criminal matters. Bergen's practice currently focuses on probate and family law. She handles matters in probate, domestic relations and juvenile courts, including wills, living wills, durable powers of attorney, estate planning and trusts, child custody, business valuations, taxation issues. public and private retirement plan issues, analysis of spousal and child support and prenuptial agreements. Her practice includes both traditional litigation and alternative dispute resolution processes such as mediation, arbitration, principled negotiation and collaborative law. In addition to her private practice, Bergen is actively engaged in the community. She currently serves as board chair of the board of trustees of the Legal Aid Society of Cleveland. Bergen also serves as vice-chair of the board of directors for Forbes House, Lake County's only shelter for victims of domestic violence and their children. She is active in the Willoughby Chamber of Commerce. In 2013, she was the first woman to receive the President's Award from the Lake County Bar Association, honoring her for her public service and contributions to the practice of law in Lake County. Bergen is a graduate of John Carroll University and

she earned her J.D. from Cleveland State University. She is a member of the Ohio State Bar and the Lake, Geauga, and Ashtabula County Bar Associations. She is a member of the Center for Principled Family Advocacy.

# Tim Bertschy

Timothy Bertschy is a partner with Heyl, Royster, Voelker & Allen, located in its Peoria and Chicago offices. He concentrates his practice in the areas of complex commercial litigation, employment, and local government law. He has litigated cases involving contractual breaches, business torts, partnership and corporate break-ups, stockholder disputes, ERISA, unfair competition, intellectual property, covenants not to compete, lender liability, fraud and misrepresentation, eminent domain (condemnation), computer and software problems, privacy, real estate disputes, zoning issues, and business losses. Bertschy has represented clients in the business, banking, real estate, stock brokerage, accounting, legal, insurance, governmental, and religious fields. He is a former president of the Illinois State Bar Association. He has also served on the American Bar Association Board of Governors. He is a past president of the Illinois Township Attorney's Association. Bertschy has been recognized in Super Lawyer, Leading Lawyer, and Best Lawyers in America listings.

#### **Dana Cornett**

After graduating *cum laude* from Lenoir-Rhyne College, Dana Cornett obtained her J.D. from the Marshall-Wythe School of Law at the College of William & Mary. She established a solo practice in Harrisonburg in 1987, focusing primarily on family law but also devoting a portion of her practice to such diverse areas as property litigation, wills, and landlord-tenant. She is admitted to practice in all Virginia state courts and in the United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia and has argued cases before the Virginia Court of Appeals and the Virginia Supreme Court. Since 2000, she has served as a commissioner in chancery for the Rockingham County Circuit Court. She is a past president of Harrisonburg-Rockingham County Bar Association. She has been a member of the board of directors for Blue Ridge Legal Services since 1998 and currently serves as president of the board.

# Kathryn J. Fritz

Kathryn Fritz is a partner of Fenwick & West LLP and serves as the firm's managing partner. Her practice concentrates on business and intellectual property litigation, with an emphasis on trademark, right of publicity and copyright, especially as applied to new technology areas. She is admitted to practice in California and New York. She writes and speaks regularly on intellectual property issues, including to the Federal Judicial Center and Practicing Law Institute, and teaches an advanced trademark law seminar at

UC Berkeley. She has been named to *The Recorder*'s list of Top 50 Women Leaders in TechLaw in 2013 and 2014. Fritz has served on the boards of the Santa Clara County Bar Association and the Bar Association of San Francisco, and speaks frequently on issues relating to law firm management and change, and diversity initiatives in the profession. She actively works on behalf of pro bono clients, including working on the capital defense team for a client on California's death row, ultimately achieving a reversal of his death sentence, assisting clients to obtain political asylum, and representing documentary filmmakers on intellectual property issues. She is also active in the greater pro bono community, including serving as a member of the Pro Bono Institute's Law Firm Advisory Board, and member of the Legal Service Corporation's Pro Bono Task Force and co-chair of the Subcommittee on Technology Best Practices in Pro Bono. She received her B.A from the UC, Santa Barbara, and her J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center.

#### Craig C. Martin

Craig Martin is co-chair of Jenner & Block's Litigation Department and a member of the firm's Policy Committee. He serves as lead trial and appellate counsel in complex civil and commercial litigation across the country; represents corporations in international arbitrations, cross-border disputes and investigations; and counsels corporate boards of public and private companies, as well as senior officers of public companies, and fiduciaries of pension and investment vehicles. Martin is AV Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell's, and has been recognized in Chambers USA as one of the leading lawyers in Litigation: General Commercial. He has been named by the Leading Lawyers Network as one of the "Top 100 Business Lawyers in Illinois," and been recognized as one of the Best Lawyers in America. In 2011, he received the Judge Learned Hand Human Relations Award from the American Jewish Committee. Martin serves on the Illinois Supreme Court's Committee on Character and Fitness. He is a member of the Commercial Club of Chicago, the Economic Club of Chicago, a member of the executive committee of the board of directors for the Lyric Opera, and formerly the chairman of the board of directors of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Chicago. He is a member of the American Bar Association and its Section of Litigation, where he co-chaired the 2012 annual meeting in Chicago. Martin attended the University of Notre Dame, receiving his B.A. magna cum laude in 1985, and Harvard Law School, receiving his J.D. in 1988.

# Virginia A. Martin

Virginia (Ginny) Martin has administered the New Hampshire Bar Association's Pro Bono Referral Program and Lawyer Referral Service since 1996.

In addition to core services. Martin oversees several special projects operated under the Pro Bono Program, including its Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic and Domestic Violence Emergency (DOVE) Project. She also directs the Association's Foreclosure Relief Project, recently recognized with a Special NHBA President's Award. She previously held positions with New Hampshire Legal Assistance, including as an advocate and later as Director of Community Legal Education; Staff and Resource Development. Martin helped to draft New Hampshire's unbundled rules and has worked with her team and Association leadership to develop projects to expand access using limited scope delivery models. In 2007 the ABA recognized these efforts with the Louis M. Brown Award for Legal Access for creative contributions to the delivery of legal services. Immediate past president of the National Association of Pro Bono Professionals (NAPBPro), she is a member of the organization's Executive Committee. She received the group's Pro Bono Professional of the Year Award in 2008. Martin serves as NAPBPro's liaison to the ABA's Committee on Pro Bono and Public Service. A member of the LSC's Pro Bono Taskforce, she is participating in the Taskforce's implementation phase. She was appointed to the New Hampshire Access to Justice Commission in 2007 and served on the NH Supreme Court's Citizens Commission on the State Courts. Martin holds a master's degree in journalism from Stanford University.

#### Lee Miller

Lee Miller is one of the original co-founders of DLA Piper, a global law firm with 4,200 lawyers in more than 30 countries. He currently serves as the firm's global co-chairman. Miller has been a driving force behind DLA Piper's extensive pro bono and corporate social responsibility initiatives. In 2013. DLA Piper lawyers and staff donated more than 240,000 hours of pro bono and community engagement services, as well as several global pro bono initiatives through New Perimeter, DLA Piper's nonprofit affiliate. Additionally, Miller is devoted to advancing diversity and inclusion in the legal community, serving on the Diversity and Flexibility Alliance. He has received numerous recognitions for his community service, among them the Arthur Goldberg Social Justice Award, the Judge Learned Hand Human Relations Award, and Georgetown University's John Carroll Award, its highest alumni honor. In 2011, Miller was named to the Legal Service Corporation Board of Directors' Pro Bono Task Force. He serves on the board of directors of the Primo Center for Women and Children. He is now the 2014 general campaign chairman of the Jewish United Fund/Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago's Annual Campaign, and he is the vice chairman of its board. Miller has also been widely recognized for his legal practice, being named one of America's leading real estate lawyers by Chambers and



Partners, a respected English research firm. Crain's Chicago Business has repeatedly placed him on its annual listing of top figures in the Chicago business world, "Who's Who in Chicago Business."

#### Stephen C. Neal

Stephen C. Neal is Chairman of Cooley and a member of the Firm's Management Committee. He received his undergraduate degree from Harvard University in 1970. In 1973 Mr. Neal earned his JD from Stanford Law School. He is a member of both the California and Illinois Bars and the American College of Trial Lawyers. Mr. Neal's practice includes a variety of litigation, negotiation and counseling services. He has tried dozens of civil and criminal cases, jury and non-jury, in federal, state and administrative courts throughout the United States. Mr. Neal has represented numerous corporations and individuals in a wide range of civil and criminal investigations, and he has represented and advised audit committees and special committees of boards in numerous internal investigations. Mr. Neal's practice has covered numerous substantive areas of the law, including securities law, insurance law, commercial contracts, government contracts, construction contracts, tax disputes, antitrust and trade regulation, trade secrets, patents, copyrights, unfair competition, employment contracts, product defects, Magnuson-Moss Act, toxic substances, Food and Drug Act, Consumer Product Safety Act, National Highway Transportation Safety Act, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, Foreign Currency Laws, I.C.C. tariff regulations, federal income tax law, state and local taxing authority, water law, mining law and regulations, banking law and bank fraud.

#### Steve Schulman

Steve Schulman is Akin Gump's firm wide pro bono partner. Since joining the firm in 2006 the firm, participation in the pro bono practice has increased substantially in every office, with Akin Gump lawyers now devoting an average of more than 80 hours annually to pro bono client matters. Under his leadership, the firm has also built strong relationships with local and national legal services organizations and has developed experience in several areas of pro bono practice, such as representing charter schools, providing legal counsel to military personnel and their families, and working with refugees and victims of human rights abuses. He has handled dozens of asylum and other immigration cases, with a particular emphasis on complex matters, such as those involving allegations of material support for terrorism. Schulman is currently the president of the Association of Pro Bono Counsel (APBCo), and is an adjunct professor at the Stanford Law School and the Georgetown University Law Center, where he teaches seminars on law firm economics and pro bono practice.

#### Virginia A. Seitz

Virginia A. Seitz, a partner in Sidley Austin's Appellate practice, recently returned to the firm after serving as the Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Counsel in the U.S. Department of Justice. Her practice is focused on appellate representation and counseling clients on legal issues arising in numerous areas of federal constitutional, statutory and administrative law. She has handled cases in the United States Supreme Court, most federal courts of appeals and state appellate courts. In the Supreme Court case *Grutter v. Bollinger*, she served as counsel of record for a brief on behalf of retired members of the military which, a *New York Times* piece noted, "may have been the most influential amicus brief in the history of the Supreme Court." Earlier in her career, she served on the Board of Directors of the Congressional Office of Compliance, which issues regulations and adjudicates cases involving employees of the legislative branch, and as a law clerk to Supreme Court Justice William Brennan, Jr., and D.C. Circuit Judge Harry T. Edwards.

# Mary K. Ryan

Mary Ryan is a partner in the Boston law firm of Nutter, McClennen & Fish LLP. Her practice includes substantial trial and appellate cases, as well as administrative hearings and proceedings in federal and state hazardous waste litigation, related insurance coverage issues, and land use litigation. Ryan has held many leadership roles in bar, professional and civic associations. She is a past president of the Women's Bar Association of Massachusetts and the Boston Bar Association. She is a member of the American Bar Association's House of Delegates and chair of the ABA Standing Committee on Pro Bono and Public Service and previously was chair of the ABA Standing Committee on the Delivery of Legal Services and a member of the ABA Standing Committee on Legal Aid and Indigent Defense. Currently, she co-chairs the BBA Task Force on the Civil Right to Counsel. and was the first chair of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court's Standing Committee on Pro Bono Legal Services. She has been listed in The Best Lawyers in America since 1989 and in Chambers USA since 2004 in the area of environmental law. She earned her J.D. magna cum laude from Boston College Law School and her B.A. magna cum laude from Tufts University. She was a law clerk and then chief law clerk in the Superior Court of Massachusetts and served as law clerk to the Honorable Ruth I. Abrams, former associate justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts.



Panel: Reflections on the Past and

Predictions for the

Future: The View from the Front Lines

#### Jon Asher

Jon Asher is the executive director of Colorado Legal Services. He was the executive director of the Legal Aid Society of Metropolitan Denver from 1980 until 1999 when the Legal Aid Society merged with the other two federallyfunded programs in Colorado, Colorado Rural Legal Services and Pikes Peak/Arkansas River Legal Aid, and became a single statewide program, Colorado Legal Services. He began his legal services career as a staff attorney with Colorado Rural Legal Services in Greeley, Colorado in 1971. Asher currently serves on the Colorado Judicial Advisory Council, appointed by the chief justice of the Colorado Supreme Court. He also is a member of the Colorado Access to Justice Commission and a member of the Colorado Bar Association's Board of Governors. He is a former chair and member of the ABA Commission on IOLTA, a former member of the ABA Standing Committee on Legal Aid and Indigent Defendants, the ABA Commission on Homelessness and Poverty, the ABA Standing Committee on the Delivery of Legal Services, and a former member of the National Legal Aid and Defender Association Board of Directors and its Civil Policy Group. Asher earned his B.A. from Harvard College and his J.D. from Harvard Law School.

#### Colleen Cotter

Colleen Cotter is the executive director of The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland, where she has served in that position since 2005. Previously, she worked as a consultant to legal aid organizations and their funders across the country. She has also worked for Indiana Legal Services and started her legal aid career at Pine Tree Legal Assistance in Maine, where she was a Skadden Fellow. She clerked for the Honorable Cornelia Kennedy of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, Cotter serves on the board of the Saint Luke's Foundation in Cleveland, on the Cleveland Marshall College of Law Visiting Committee, and is a member of the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center Sing Out! Chorale. She is a member of LSC's Data Project Advisory Committee and served on the LSC Pro Bono Task Force. She was a member of the Leadership Cleveland Class of 2011. She previously served on the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association Board, the Ohio Legal Assistance Foundation Board, the Center for Community Solutions Board, the NLADA Board, and the NLADA Civil Policy Group. Her 2007 speech entitled "Justice and Healthy Communities" was published in Vital Speeches of the Day. Cotter earned her J.D. summa cum laude from Indiana University School of Law and her B.A. cum laude from the University of Notre Dame.

#### Nan Heald

Nan Heald is executive director of Pine Tree Legal Assistance (Pine Tree). After law school graduation, she worked for the Interstate Commerce Commission, as a special assistant U.S. attorney for the District of Columbia and as an attorney in private practice in Portland, Maine. She joined Pine Tree in 1985 as a staff attorney in the Native American Unit, where her work led to federal recognition of the Aroostook Band of Micmacs. In 1990, she became the executive director of Pine Tree. She has worked on numerous national, regional and local initiatives to improve access to justice. Heald was recognized as one of the inaugural Lawdragon 500 Leading Lawyers in America in 2005 and as a Champion of Change for civil justice issues by the White House in 2011. She graduated from Smith College in 1977 and from George Washington University Law School in 1980.

#### Harrison D. McIver III

Harrison McIver is the executive director of Memphis Area Legal Services. He began his legal career as a Reginald Heber Smith Fellow with North Mississippi Rural Legal Services. He subsequently became managing attorney of the former Southwest Mississippi Legal Services and thereafter of North Mississippi Rural Legal Services before becoming executive director of then Central Mississippi Legal Services in Jackson, MS. He left Mississippi to become executive director of the Project Advisory Group in Washington, DC where he represented and advocated for legal aid law firms from across the country. McIver has served or is serving on several organization boards including former chair of the board of the NLADA; member of the Tennessee Bar Association House of Delegates; and the boards of the Memphis Bar Association, local National Bar Association (Ben F. Jones Chapter); Latino Memphis; and the Benjamin E. Hooks Institute for Social Change. He is currently a member of the American Bar Association Litigation Section's Access to Justice Committee and president of the Southeast Project Directors Association. He has received a number of honors and recognitions including the Ben F. Jones Chapter's A. A. Latting Award and Presidential Award, the Tennessee Alliance for Legal Services' B. Riney Green Award, Honoree of the Tennessee Bar Association at its 2014 Reception at the ABA Meeting in Boston where he also received the American Bar Association's Charles H. Dorsey Award. He is a fellow in the Tennessee Bar Foundation, the Memphis and Shelby County Bar Foundation and the American Bar Foundation, McIver received his B.A. from Morehouse College and his J.D. from Rutgers University School of Law.

# Gary F. Smith

Gary Smith is the executive director of Legal Services of Northern California.

After serving two years as a law clerk to a federal district judge, he spent three years as managing attorney for DNA-People's Legal Services, a legal aid program serving mostly Native 'American low-income clients across the Navajo Reservation in Arizona, New Mexico, and Utah. In 1988 he became managing attorney of a field office of Legal Services of Northern California, a Sacramento-based legal aid program serving poor individuals and communities in 23 mostly rural counties. After serving for 5 years as LSNC's director of litigation, he became executive director in 1999. For more than 15 years he also has served as visiting professor of law at the University of California at Davis School of Law, teaching courses in public benefits and public interest law. He is the author of numerous articles on legal services issues published in the Journal of Poverty Law and Policy. He has long been active in California's state-wide justice community, serving for many years as president of the Legal Aid Association of California, and he currently serves on the Funding Committee of the California Access to Justice Commission. In 2010, he received the Loren Miller Legal Services. Award from the State Bar of California, the highest honor bestowed by the Bar upon public interest and legal services attorneys. Smith earned degrees in law and theology from Yale University in 1983.

#### John Whitfield

John Whitfield has served as the executive director of Blue Ridge Legal Services, the legal aid society serving the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia, since 1989. Prior to becoming the executive director, he served the organization as a summer law clerk, a Reginald Heber Fellow, a staff attorney, and supervising attorney. He currently serves as co-chair of the Virginia Access to Justice Commission. He was the 1998 recipient of the Virginia State Bar's Legal Aid Award and he was inducted as a fellow of the Virginia Law Foundation in 2009. He is a 1977 graduate of the University of Virginia's College of Arts and Sciences, and a 1981 graduate of the University of Virginia School of Law.

# Presentation: The Clients We Serve – Personal Accounts of the Impact of Legal Aid

#### llah M. Adkins

Ilah Adkins sought assistance from Legal Aid Society of Cleveland nearly 20 years ago as a single mother without steady work or a permanent home, seeking help leaving a destructive marriage. Today, she is an attorney herself, and serves as the senior vice president, director of legal services for Citizens

Bank N.A., where she directs and develops legal analysis and strategies of legal exposure and costs for a national docket of corporate litigation, patent claims, commercial and residential real estate litigation, consumer litigation, UCC litigation and other varied claims, including numerous class actions and appeals, amongst other duties. She was honored with the YWCA Woman of Professional Excellence award in 2007, a Citizens Corporate Risk Management Excellence Award, and a Citizens Corporate Community engagement award. She is a graduate of the Cleveland Bridge Builders class of 2008 and Leadership Cleveland class of 2013. In addition to being the first Legal Aid Society of Cleveland client to serve on its board of directors, Adkins now serves on the boards of the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center, Adoption Network of Cleveland, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Visiting Committee, and the Advisory Board of the National Institute for Inclusion in the Legal Profession. Adkins earned her B.A., with honors, from Cleveland State University in political science and her J.D. from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law.

#### **Harold Anderson**

In 2010, the Atlanta Legal Aid Society represented Harold Anderson in a successful administrative action to get him out of the nursing home where he had been forced to spend the previous seven years. Atlanta Legal Aid's advocacy was based on *Olmstead v. L.C.*, the Supreme Court decision that requires states to eliminate the unnecessary segregation of persons with disabilities. Since then, Anderson has been able to return to his community in Atlanta and spends time working as a spokesperson and advocate for people with disabilities and for *Olmstead* rights. He has been interviewed for the national oral history project *StoryCorps*, as well as numerous media outlets in Atlanta, including the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*. In addition to his work as a spokesperson, Anderson now serves as a dedicated member of the Atlanta Legal Aid Society's Board of Directors and sits on its executive and budget committees.

#### **Brenda Brown**

In 2006, Brenda Brown sought assistance from Neighborhood Legal Services (NLSA) in New Castle, Pennsylvania for help with a custody dispute. With the assistance of NLSA, she was able to turn around her life and that of her now 16-year old twins. Brown currently serves as the statewide program coordinator for a brain injury school re-entry consulting program. She received her Master's from The George Washington University in Transitional Special Education focusing on Traumatic Brain Injury, and is a Certified Brain Injury Specialist who actively serves as a director on a national and international brain injury board. Brown is published in the field of concussions and

Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBI), regularly presents at the state, national, and international levels and has received multiple state and national awards for her work. She has been invited by the Centers for Disease Control to serve on an expert concussion panel in Atlanta, and was chosen to present for the President Obama-appointed Institute of Medicine/National Research Council committee which compiled a comprehensive federal report regarding youth concussions to guide federal agencies and policies. She also led work with the Pennsylvania Department of Education to create statewide concussion materials and protocols for schools, and spearheaded the Return to Learn Concussion Management Team Model which established and trained over 670 concussion school teams in Pennsylvania in the past year.

#### Juliette White

Juliette White sought assistance from the Las Cruces office of New Mexico Legal Aid after medical problems and multiple surgeries left her permanently disabled and unable to keep her part-time job. When this caused her to fall behind on her mortgage payments, White was threatened with foreclosure. With the help of New Mexico Legal Aid, she was able to keep her house. Since then, Ms. White has been approved for Social Security benefits and has finally been able to concentrate on taking care of her health. She is now feeling much stronger and is able to spend time with her son and three grandchildren, and fix up her house. She is grateful for simple things like the time to relax, have a cup of coffee, and watch the local wildlife. Her goal in the next two years is to get her house ready to sell in preparation for a move to East Texas, where she can spend her retirement enjoying her true passion, fishing.

#### Julie Reiskin

Julie Reiskin is the executive director of the Colorado Cross-Disability Coalition (CCDC), the only statewide organization of and for people with disabilities that has a focus on systemic change. CCDC has taken a leadership role within Colorado on publicly funded long-term health care. Reiskin has proposed and helped to implement many solutions to create a sustainable and client friendly Medicaid program, acted as a respected advocate for individuals and has trained many others in health advocacy and health policy. Prior to becoming the executive director for CCDC in 1996, Reiskin served as the organization's policy analyst. She moved to Colorado from Connecticut in 1994. In Connecticut, she was a partner in a consulting firm, specializing in diversity issues throughout Southern New England. She also had a private psychotherapy practice. Previous work includes, but is not limited to, several positions working with "hard to serve" youth and positive youth development, AIDS/HIV Education, and

grassroots community organizing. Reiskin has taught extensively in the areas of disability rights, disability culture and disability policy, along with other areas related to diversity in human services. She received an M.S.W. from the University of Connecticut, with a major in community organizing in 1989. She obtained a B.S. in Women's Studies from the University of Connecticut in 1985.

# RECEPTION

**MONDAY, 9/15** 

6:00 - 7:30 pm



Welcome: John Levi, Chair of the Board of Directors, LSC

Opening Remarks: Douglas Eakeley, LSC Board Chair 1993-2003, Partner, Lowenstein Sandler LLP

Introduction: Harold Koh, former Legal Advisor to the U.S. Department of State and Sterling Professor of International Law, Yale Law School

Remarks by **Secretary Hillary Rodham Clinton**, *LSC Board Chair* 1978-1980

# PRO BONO INNOVATION FUND AWARDEES

LSC is honored to fund the following programs with funds allocated by Congress for Pro Bono Innovation.

#### Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles

To create a more efficient system of meaningful pro bono trainings for the large legal aid network in California, Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles, Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles and OneJustice will collaborate to develop the California Pro Bono Training Institute, a state-wide online forum of "universal" substantive trainings supported by a state-wide network of civil legal aid nonprofits that will provide legal services organizations and pro bono attorneys with high quality, engaging, on-demand CLE trainings. These trainings will be on a variety of pro bono topics and legal issues affecting low-income individuals in California. The Training Institute will draw on recent innovations in adult learning techniques. After participating in an Institute training, a pro bono attorney or advocate will be empowered to help low-income and underserved clients in select subject areas on a statewide level, regardless of the partnering legal aid organization. The objective is to better serve low-income individuals in communities across California by enabling pro bono attorneys state-wide to provide free legal services in a variety of legal areas.

# Colorado Legal Services

It is a challenge for many legal aid organizations to provide equitable and uniform treatment for all clients. A client's residence in a rural area should not preclude the individual from accessing services that are more often available to clients who live in urban areas. In Colorado, pro bono resources are concentrated in urban areas with larger attorney populations, while many rural counties have few or no attorneys, and, therefore, have a very limited or no pro bono program. While there are many clinic models that seek to address this gap, Colorado Legal Services will collaborate with the Colorado Bar Association to develop and test different technologies and clinic structures to identify the most effective ways to replicate metropolitan-area pro bono clinics in isolated, rural parts of the state. It will evaluate Live Chat, Virtual Clinics, and Flying Squads (attorneys who travel to rural areas on a regular basis), and it will also seek to develop clinics that provide pro bono services beyond brief advice, offering more extensive assistance to clients with pro se cases.

# Atlanta Legal Aid Society, Inc.

After closely studying outcomes for seniors who received advice through its statewide Senior Legal Hotline, Atlanta Legal Aid Society sought to significantly improve client follow-through on the advice provided by using pro bono attorneys to make follow-up contact to provide additional brief services and legal assistance to clients. The initial and



notable results of this effort have shown that the follow-up contact by a pro bono attorney increases successful outcomes for advice clients by 30%. Over the next two years, this project will expand upon this initial success and systematically integrate volunteer attorneys in other Atlanta Legal Aid practice areas and offices. Pro bono volunteers will place follow up calls to existing advice and brief services clients to provide additional assistance and better equip clients to represent themselves. The follow up contact will also be designed to collect more data to help the organization continuously evaluate and improve the outcomes and effectiveness of their legal advice and brief service cases. The project will be launched at the same time that the organization is establishing a complementary Senior Lawyer Program that will recruit and provide supports to engage senior attorneys in pro bono service.

### Prairie State Legal Services, Inc.

Studying case and demographic data, Prairie State Legal Services found that their resources and levels of service available for single parents seeking legal assistance were inadequate, particularly in rural areas and small towns where there are few pro bono attorneys and frequent conflicts of interest in family law matters. To better serve the legal needs of single parents, Prairie State Legal Services will actively recruit volunteer attorneys, including corporate attorneys in suburban areas and other attorneys from the collar counties surrounding Chicago, to provide legal information, advice and brief services on family law issues. Prairie State Legal Services will collaborate with Illinois Legal Aid Online to leverage online recruitment of volunteer attorneys, online intake for parents seeking legal services, and to develop on-demand, elearning modules that can be used by pro bono attorneys throughout the state. Volunteers will also teach legal information classes and lead pro se assisted clinics to aid eligible clients with limited-scope legal services.

# Volunteer Lawyers Project of the Boston Bar Association

In a period of extended unemployment and slow economic performance, Chapter 7 bankruptcy can relieve many of the financial problems that low-income families face. The Volunteer Lawyers Project of the Boston Bar Association will develop a project to leverage the expertise of Boston-area bankruptcy attorneys to benefit clients and other pro bono volunteers statewide. The Volunteer Lawyers Project currently has over 330 active and

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experienced bankruptcy volunteers including law professors, partners at large law firms, bankruptcy trustees, and solo practitioners. Partnering with other legal aid organizations in the state, this project will test and prototype "popup" clinics, a customized virtual law firm platform, and cost-effective videoconferencing to allow pro bono bankruptcy volunteers in Boston to train and mentor pro bono attorneys in other parts of the state. Boston-area volunteers will also be able to remotely reach and represent more eligible clients in areas where there are no pro bono bankruptcy attorneys available. The innovations proposed in this project will bring greater efficiency to evaluating, preparing, and referring pro bono bankruptcy cases.

#### Legal Aid Bureau, Inc.

Maryland is home to 465,000 veterans of the United States Armed Forces. Many of these veterans are homeless or living at or below the poverty line, struggling to meet their basic living needs. Currently, there are limited legal resources available to low-income Maryland veterans and no legal aid organizations provide a comprehensive menu of services. Maryland Legal Aid will establish a statewide Veterans Hotline, staffed by pro bono attorneys, who will be trained to effectively and efficiently meet the needs of Maryland's veteran population. Many questions and issues posed by veterans may be resolved through brief advice, and where more extensive assistance is needed, a pool of qualified pro bono lawyers, willing to handle veterans' legal matters, will be available for representation. Maryland Legal Aid with its project partner, the Pro Bono Resource Center, will recruit and train volunteers on a statewide basis and will collaborate with other service providers on referrals.

#### Montana Legal Services Association

The state of Montana encompasses over 145,000 square miles with one attorney for every 14,000 people living in poverty. Montana Legal Services Association's project will strengthen and expand a statewide network of pro bono volunteers to provide legal advice and assistance to low-income clients. This project will address the challenges to statewide pro bono service delivery by targeting the barriers for the solo practitioners, small firms, government attorneys, law students, and paralegals that form the backbone of pro bono service delivery in the state. The project will also support existing local pro bono programs and create new opportunities for limited-scope pro bono representation, developing a statewide limited-scope technology platform that allows pro bono attorneys and law students to remotely assist and prepare clients to represent themselves in court.

#### Legal Assistance of Western New York, Inc.

In New York State, Chief Judge Hon. Jonathan Lippman has established two major pro bono initiatives: one requiring 50 hours of pro bono for applicants admitted to the New York State Bar on or after January 1, 2015 and another

establishing the Attorney Emeritus Program to encourage experienced attorneys to offer their skills to legal aid providers. The six LSC grantees in New York State that provide legal services to every urban, suburban and rural community outside of New York City are partnering to create a new pro bono practice group across their organizations to coordinate pro bono opportunities among their 33 offices and nine area law schools, including the Feerick Center for Social Justice and Dispute Resolution at Fordham University School of Law that staffs the Attorney Emeritus Program for the Office of Court Administration. Through the project, thousands of hours will be donated to help low-income New Yorkers resolve civil legal problems in areas affecting the essentials of life—housing, family matters, subsistence income and access to health care and education.

#### Philadelphia Legal Assistance Center

People who live in poverty disproportionately experience legal and health problems from homelessness, substandard housing, being uninsured and having to choose between food or heat. These "socio-legal needs" can affect the health of low-income families and the efficacy of medical services, as even the best care is undermined by unmet legal needs. Philadelphia Legal Assistance Center, Inc. seeks to create a pro bono law student driven Medical Legal Community Partnership that will improve access to comprehensive, coordinated health and legal care that promotes the well-being of underserved low income families and individuals. The proposed project will use the network of existing neighborhood public health centers to provide consistent access to legal services delivered by area law students, pro bono attornevs and large law firms in Philadelphia. Law student volunteers will participate in "Skills Lab" sessions and weekly group supervision to facilitate the broad and effective application of legal skills and collaborative problem-solving in a generalist environment. The project is independently funded to engage the research and evaluation arm of the Amherst H. Wilder Foundation to develop an evaluation framework that will assess the impact of direct legal services on patient well-being and health.

### Utah Legal Services, Inc.

People who represent themselves in legal proceedings need advice and assistance at critical points during the process to avoid costly mistakes and to overcome what can appear to be daunting obstacles. Utah Legal Services is partnering with the Self Help Center of the Utah State Courts, local Utah State Bar Pro Bono Committees, Timpanogos Legal Center, and volunteer law students and attorneys to create a continuum of service for clients representing themselves in family law matters in rural areas. The project will expand a successful collaboration between these partners that provides tiered services to pro se clients in virtual and in-person sites. Eligible individuals in need of legal

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assistance at pilot sites will immediately access an online meeting and document sharing platform to receive advice and assistance from on-call pro bono attorneys. Clients who need additional assistance preparing documents will be referred to document clinics hosted in rural areas and using the online platform for pro bono law students and attorneys to provide document preparation assistance virtually. Utah Legal Services plans to pilot the project in two judicial districts to replicate the project in other parts of the state.

### Northwest Justice Project

One of the most significant obstacles to pro bono work for lawyers is the fear of providing legal representation to clients in an unknown area of law. Northwest Justice Project will pilot an effort to address this challenge and systematically increase the levels of extended services provided to low-income clients by pro bono attorneys. The project will develop a comprehensive set of resources to support volunteer lawyers in providing significant assistance beyond advice or limited action. The resources will include mentoring and research assistance, in addition to sample pleadings and discovery documents, memoranda of law, substantive law and local procedural information sheets, a sample limited scope retainer agreement, and a series of short video clips by subject matter experts. The project will partner with three local volunteer lawyer programs in northwest Washington: Legal Assistance by Whatcom (LAW) Advocates, Skagit County Volunteer Lawyer Program, and Snohomish County Legal Services. The second year of the project will expand to rural eastern Washington and partner with Chelan-Douglas Volunteer Attorney Services to pilot remote mentoring and pro bono support.





GEORGE W. BUSH

September 16, 2014

Congratulations to the Legal Services Corporation as you celebrate your 40th anniversary.

Thank you for your hard work and your efforts to provide a voice and seek justice for low-income Americans. I am grateful for your compassion and your dedication to serving a cause greater than self. Your years of service have made a difference in our Nation.

Laura and I send our best wishes for continued success.





**July 2014** 

Barbara and I send congratulations to the Legal Services Corporation on the occasion of its fortieth anniversary.

LSC plays a vital role in our civil justice system and our country, funding programs in every state that make a crucial difference to millions of low-income Americans. Recipients of LSC funding help women escape abusive relationships, ensure that military veterans receive the benefits they have earned, protect the elderly from predatory lenders, respond to the needs of disabled citizens, and handle many other civil matters affecting the well-being of the most vulnerable among us.

Without the assistance offered by LSC-funded programs, many low-income Americans would simply be excluded from access to the civil justice system. For four decades, LSC has championed this core American value—equal access to justice – and Barbara and I send best wishes for many more decades of success in this fundamental mission.

Sincerely, By



We want to thank the following Members of Congress for submitting statements into the Congressional Record in recognition of LSC's 40th Anniversary.

### Representative Frank Wolf

VA-10th, Chairman, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science & Related Agencies

"As chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science from 2001-2006 and again since 2011, I have worked closely with the LSC leadership to support these programs and ensure that funding is spent efficiently and appropriately. I have also worked with my colleagues in Congress and LSC leadership to mitigate partisan issues that undermine support for this program. Through these efforts, we have been able to ensure that LSC funding is focused on supporting legitimate civil legal aid needs by those Americans who need it most.

Over the past several years, I have encouraged LSC to do more to engage law firms and bar associations to expand pro bono services in coordination with the corporation. In response, the LSC board created a Pro Bono Task Force in 2011 and produced a comprehensive report with innovative ideas to bolster national pro bono efforts. I want to credit LSC Board Chairman John Levi and LSC President Jim Sandman for their leadership on this project, which has the potential to further extend LSC's support for low-income Americans.

Forty years after its creation, the LSC fills a critical gap by providing low-income Americans with legal assistance they wouldn't otherwise have access to. I want to commend the Legal Services Corporation and the attorneys working in our communities for the work they do every day on behalf of Americans who need qualified counsel."

# Representative Suzanne Bonamici OR-1st

"I was proud to work at legal aid early in my career and I'll never forget the people I was able to help. They desperately needed an attorney when they could little afford one. I want to emphasize that they were not low income by choice—most had unexpected medical bills, had lost a job, or lost a spouse. I congratulate LSC on its 40th anniversary, and commend all the hard working legal aid attorneys and staff who get so little recognition for such important work."

# Representative Steve Cohen TN-9th

"On this anniversary, I salute the Legal Services Corporation and LSC-funded attorneys for the vital work they do every day on behalf of Americans who need qualified counsel. Every day that a legal aid attorney protects the safety, security and health of our most vulnerable citizens, they bring this nation closer to living up to its commitment to equal justice for all."

# Representative Tom Cole

OK-4th

"Friday, July 25, marks the 40th anniversary of the Legal Services Corporation (LSC). LSC-funded legal aid programs make a crucial difference to millions of Americans by assisting with the most basic civil legal needs. On this anniversary, I salute the Legal Services Corporation and LSC-funded attorneys for the vital work they do every day on behalf of Americans who need qualified counsel."



# Representative John Conyers, Jr.

MI-13th, Ranking Member, House Committee on the Judiciary

"On this 40th anniversary of the Legal Services Corporation, we should recommit ourselves to the founding principle and continue to ensure that LSC can fulfill its critical mission through sufficient funding. I commend LSC and its grantee programs for the vital work they do every day on behalf of Americans who need qualified counsel and for continuing its mission of equal justice for all."

### Representative Chaka Fattah

PA-2nd, Ranking Member, House Appropriations Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science & Related Agencies

"For millions of low-income Americans—including veterans, working families, and people with disabilities—Legal Services
Corporation (LSC) is the only path to navigating the justice system and securing high-quality legal representation. As Ranking
Member on the Commerce, Justice, and Science Appropriations
Subcommittee, I have led the effort in Congress to secure adequate funding to support LSC's mission of ensuring that every individual who requires it has access to America's courts. As demand continues to grow for civil legal aid in our country, it will remain our responsibility to continue to fight for increased funding. I applaud LSC's four decades of success advocating for equal access to justice and look forward to remaining its champion."

# Representative Mike Honda CA-17th

"I salute the Legal Services Corporation and LSC-funded attorneys for the vital work they do every day on behalf of Americans who need qualified counsel. In my role as a senior member of the Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations Subcommittee, I've fought to increase LSC funding, and have sought to remove federal

restrictions on how LSC can use state, local, and private funds to more efficiently use the resources it has available to serve low-income clients. I will continue to work to provide LSC with the resources and flexibility it needs to ensure equal access to justice."

### Representative Hank Johnson

GA-4th, Ranking Member, House Judiciary Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law

"In the aftermath of the Great Recession and as income inequality continues to plague our society, there's never been a greater need for the critical work of the Legal Services Corporation (LSC). Whether it's preventing scams against our senior citizens, helping homeowners prevent foreclosures, supporting our veterans and military families or fighting for workers' rights, LSC has been on the frontlines of providing civil legal aid for low-income Americans for the past 40 years."

### Representative Nita Lowey

NY-17th, Ranking Member, House Appropriations Committee

"every American, regardless of wealth, deserves quality representation before the courts. The work that LSC does to ensure that those most in need receive legal counsel and due process before the courts is invaluable. I am proud to recognize the Legal Services Corporation and LSC-funded attorneys for the vital work they do every day on behalf of Americans who desperately need their counsel."

# Representative Mike Quigley

IL-5th

I rise today to honor the Legal Services Corporation, which for 40 years has played a vital role in ensuring all Americans, regardless of



income, have proper representation in court. Thank you to the Legal Services Corporation and LSCfunded attorneys for the vital work they do every day on behalf of Americans who need qualified counsel."

# Representative Adam Schiff CA-28th

"On this anniversary, I salute the Legal Services Corporation and LSC-funded attorneys for the vital work they do every day on behalf of Americans who need qualified counsel, as well as the thousands of attorneys who contribute pro bono services to clients in need. In my district, LSC provides funding to Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County, an organization which provided legal aid to over 4,600 clients last year and looks to increase that number this year."

# Representative Bobby Scott VA-3rd

"I have long been a supporter of legal assistance for low-income Americans and of the LSC dating back to the 1970s, when I led the effort to establish the LSC-funded Virginia Peninsula Legal Aid Center, Inc. So I know from first-hand experience that LSC-funded legal aid programs make a critical difference to low-income Americans by assisting with their most basic civil legal needs. On this 40th anniversary, I salute the Legal Services Corporation and LSC-funded attorneys for the vital work they do every day on behalf of millions of Americans who need qualified, competent legal counsel."

# Representative José Serrano

NY-15th

"justice should not be limited only to those who can afford it. Equal access to our justice system is at the essence of our democracy. Our court system should allow everyone who has a legitimate grievance to pursue justice with the best possible representation. For the past 40 years, LSC and all of its grantees have helped ensure that our nation lives up to these ideals."

### Representative Chris Van Hollen

MD-8th, Ranking Member, House Budget Committee

"I rise today to honor the achievements of the Legal Services Corporation (LSC) on its 40th anniversary. While we reflect on the achievements of LSC over the last 40 years, Congress must also renew its commitment to providing LSC the critical resources it needs to assist our must vulnerable."

### **Senator Roy Blunt**

Missouri

"Congratulations to the Legal Services Corporation on their 40th anniversary. The important work they do on behalf of low-income citizens who need qualified counsel helps to make a difference in the lives of thousands of our most vulnerable Missourians each year."

### Senator Ben Cardin

Maryland

"I commend the LSC, MLSC, and the many LSC-funded attorneys and private sector lawyers who have donated pro bono hours who strive to live up to the commitment of our legal system to provide equal justice under law. Congress needs to live up to the same commitment that we require our federal judges to make before sitting on the bench and deciding cases. Let us make sure that millions of Americans who need access to legal assistance are provided that critical help in cases that will have a profound impact on their lives, their family, and their community."

#### **Senator Tom Harkin**

Iowa, Chairman, Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor & Pensions

"I know firsthand the important work of the Legal Services Corporation. Before I was elected to Congress, I worked as a legal aid attorney in Polk County, IA. I experienced the challenges—and also the rewards—of representing people who otherwise would not have the legal assistance they deserve. And I developed a deep appreciation for the role that legal aid attorneys play within our system of justice. On this anniversary, I salute the Legal Services Corporation and LSC-funded attorneys for the vital work they do every day on behalf of Americans who need qualified counsel."

# **Senator Angus King**

#### Maine

"I salute the Legal Services Corporation and LSC-funded attorneys for the vital work they do every day on behalf of Americans who need qualified counsel. I began my career as one of these attorneys—beginning in 1969, I worked in Skowhegan, Maine for a legal services provider called Pine Tree Legal Assistance. Although my time predated LSC, today Pine Tree is funded by LSC and continues to provide high-quality legal services to those in most need. I learned first-hand during this period that the work of LSC

attorneys is a critical element of making real the promise of our country to our disadvantaged and disenfranchised citizens."

# **Senator Mary Landrieu**

Louisiana

"On this 40th anniversary, I congratulate and commend the Legal Services Corporation for the vital work they do every day on behalf of Americans who need qualified counsel. In my home state, more than 25% of the population is eligible for LSC-funded legal services. The three programs funded by LSC served nearly 40,000 Louisianans and closed nearly 16,000 cases last year. Every day that a legal aid attorney protects the safety, security, and health of our most vulnerable citizens, they bring this nation closer to living up to its commitment to equal justice for all."

### **Senator Patty Murray**

Washington, Chairman, Senate Budget Committee

"I applaud the efforts of LSC, the programs and services funded by the corporation, and ask that we commit ourselves to ensuring that Americans of all backgrounds have access to adequate legal services. We are a better nation for its 40 years of service and advocacy on their behalf. In my home state of Washington, LSC-backed programs have been helping survivors of the Oso mudslide get back up on their feet and rebuild their lives. LSC is essential to protecting the lives and liberty of the most vulnerable Americans."

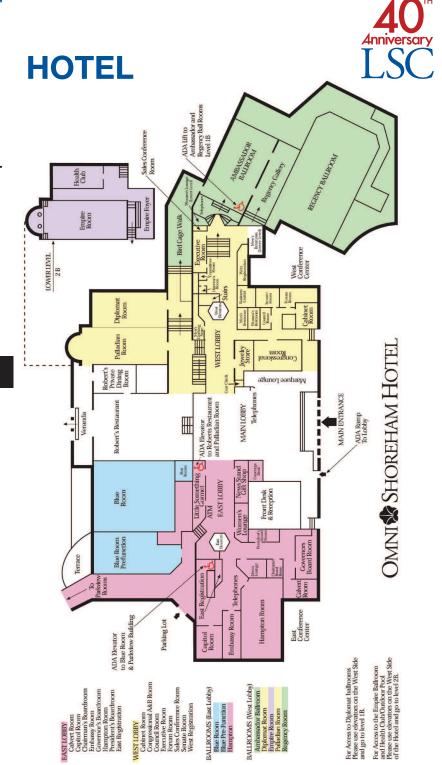
# LSC's 40th Anniversary Campaign



### LSC@40 - A Campaign for Justice

The Legal Services Corporation (LSC) is the nation's largest single funder of civil legal aid for low-income Americans. At a time when all sources of funding for legal aid are in jeopardy, community legal aid programs are even more dependent on LSC's funding and support. Federal funding and other sources of funding for LSC grantees have fallen while the number of people eligible for civil legal aid through LSC grantees has grown. The economic downturn, the millions of veterans re-entering home and work life with serious needs, the devastating foreclosure crisis, the continuing rise of domestic violence cases—all of these factors have occurred simultaneously over the last five years, leading to a surge in need while resources have waned.

LSC's board of directors and senior management have witnessed this growing crisis and consulted stakeholders, funders, partners, pro bono experts, and others to strategically identify the areas of greatest need where focused investments would make the biggest difference. In its 40th year, LSC is launching a groundbreaking campaign to fund new projects and programs that will extend the work of civil legal aid providers around the country. This campaign focuses on expanding access to justice through technology, new service initiatives, and leadership development. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.lsc40@lsc.gov">www.lsc40@lsc.gov</a>.





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The Legal Services Corporation is the single largest funder of civil legal services in the country and plays a vital role in a public-private partnership focused on fulfilling America's pledge of equal justice for all. Since its founding almost four decades ago, LSC has been making a difference in the lives of low-income Americans by funding high-quality civil legal assistance to veterans, the elderly, victims of domestic abuse. tenants facing unlawful evictions, and others who cannot afford to pay for legal assistance.

